



Good Fruit v. Bad Fruit

Galatians 5:19-23

¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, ²¹ envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.



Galatians 5:19

- Now the **works of the flesh** are evident [obvious]:

Sometimes these are called VICE lists.



Vice

- **A moral fault or failing**

Vice Squad

- **a department or division of a police force that enforces laws against prostitution, drug abuse, illegal gambling, etc.**

sexual immorality	sexual immorality	immorality
impurity	moral impurity	impurity
sensuality	promiscuity	sensuality
idolatry	idolatry	idolatry
sorcery	sorcery	witchcraft
enmity	hatreds	hostilities
strife	strife	discord
jealousy	jealousy	jealousy
fits of anger	outbursts of anger	outbursts of anger
rivalries	selfish ambitions	selfish ambition
dissensions	dissensions	dissensions
divisions	factions	factions
envy	envy	envy
drunkenness	drunkenness	drunkenness
orgies	carousing	carousing



Mark 7:21–22

- For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, ²² coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness.



Romans 1:29–31

- They were filled with all manner of unrighteousness, evil, covetousness, malice. They are full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, maliciousness. They are gossips, ³⁰ slanderers, haters of God, insolent, haughty, boastful, inventors of evil, disobedient to parents, ³¹ foolish, faithless, heartless, ruthless.



1 Corinthians 6:9–10

- Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality,¹⁰ nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God.



Ephesians 5:3–5

- But sexual immorality and all impurity or covetousness must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints. ⁴ Let there be no filthiness nor foolish talk nor crude joking, which are out of place, but instead let there be thanksgiving. ⁵ For you may be sure of this, that everyone who is sexually immoral or impure, or who is covetous (that is, an idolater), has no inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God.



2 Timothy 3:2–5

- For people will be lovers of self, lovers of money, proud, arrogant, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, ³ heartless, unappeasable, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not loving good, ⁴ treacherous, reckless, swollen with conceit, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, ⁵ having the appearance of godliness, but denying its power. Avoid such people.



1 Peter 4:3

- For the time that is past suffices for doing what the Gentiles want to do, living in sensuality, passions, drunkenness, orgies, drinking parties, and lawless idolatry.



Revelation 21:8

- But as for the cowardly, the faithless, the detestable, as for murderers, the sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars, their portion will be in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death.”

The Vice Lists in the NT

Jesus	Paul	Peter	John
Mt. 15	Rom. 1 & 13	1 Pet. 2	Rev. 9
Mk. 7	1 Cor. 5 & 6	1 Pet. 4	Rev. 21
	2 Cor. 12		Rev. 22
	Gal. 5		
	Eph. 4 & 5		
	Col. 3		
	1 Tim. 1		
	2 Tim. 3		
	Tit. 3		

All these lists collectively serve to warn us of the impending punishment for those who do not take God's call to personal holiness seriously.



You shall be holy, for I am holy.

God

Lev. 11:44



Galatians 5:21

- I **warn you**, as I warned you before,

**a statement or event that
indicates a possible or
impending danger**



Galatians 5:21

- that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

Warning



- The world is **NOT** full of all these utterly unholy people who are characterized by gross immorality but are fully saved and heaven bound.
- On the contrary!



These vice lists and blanket declarations concerning not inheriting the kingdom of God or being separated in hell from God.

Always seems to provoke the same kind of question:

What about the salvation of a person who professes Christ and then becomes something described in a vice list?



The longer any immoral behavior goes on unchecked by the Holy Spirit the greater concern there must be for the eternal state of the person's soul without regard to previous professions of faith in Christ.



Galatians 5:22-23

- **But the fruit of the Spirit**

**Serve as the evidence of the
indwelling Holy Spirit**



Turn to

Matthew 7 v. 15



“Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep’s clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. ¹⁶ You will recognize them by **their fruits**. Are grapes gathered from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? ¹⁷ So, every healthy tree **bears good fruit**, but the diseased tree bears **bad fruit**.





¹⁸ A healthy tree cannot bear **bad fruit**, nor can a diseased tree bear **good fruit**. ¹⁹ Every tree that does not **bear good fruit** is cut down and thrown into the fire. ²⁰ Thus you will recognize them **by their fruits**.



Good Fruit

Fruit of the
Spirit

Bad Fruit

Works of
the Flesh





Luke 6:44

- for each tree is known by its own fruit.
- For figs are not gathered from thornbushes, nor are grapes picked from a bramble bush.



Turn to

John 15

¹ “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. ² Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. ³ Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴ Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. ⁵ I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶ If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷ If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸ By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. ⁹ As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love.

¹⁰ If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹ These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full. ¹² "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³ Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. ¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵ No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. ¹⁶ You did not choose me, **but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. ¹⁷ These things I command you, so that you will love one another.**

Galatians 5:22-23



- **B**ut the fruit of the Spirit is

Galatians 5:22–23 (ESV/AV)

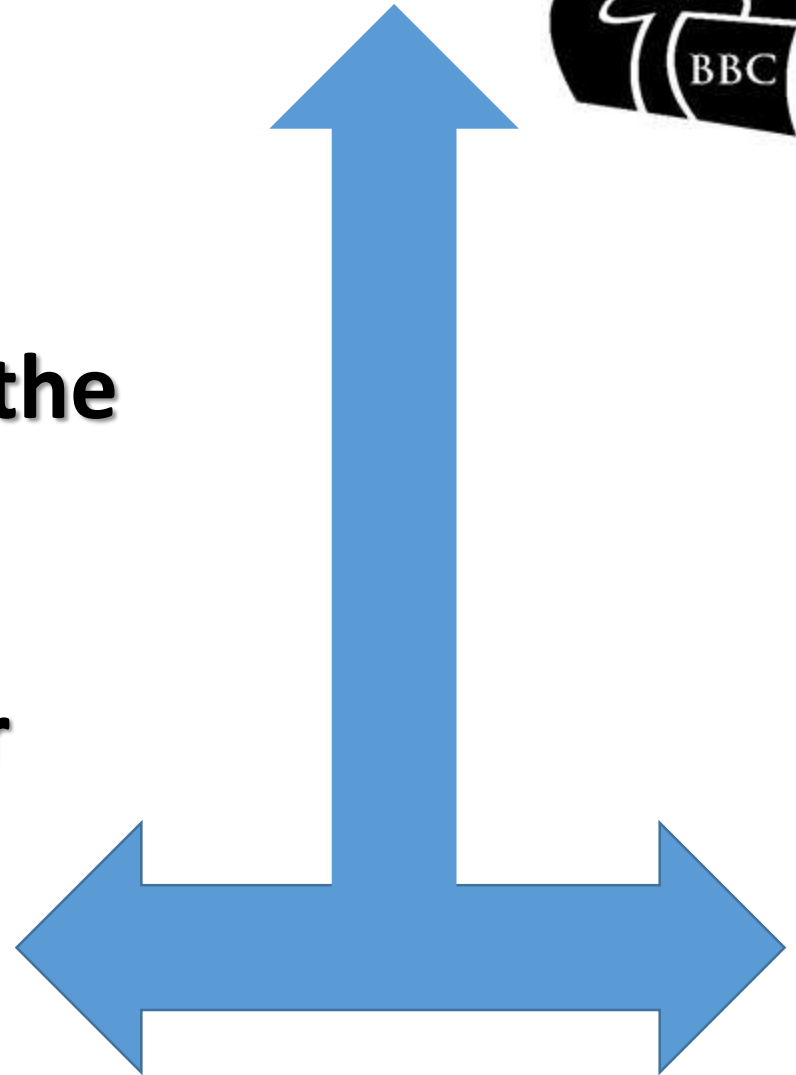


love	joy	peace
patience longsuffering	kindness gentleness	goodness
Faithfulness faith	gentleness meekness	self-control temperance

Love

**unselfish loyal and
benevolent concern for the
good of another**

**affection for God and/or
others**





Look Back @

John 15 v. 9ff



John 15:9

- As the Father has loved me, **so have I loved you.**
- Abide in my love.

OR

- Continue in my love.
- Remain in my love.



**Do you remember
this key vs from**

Galatians 2:20



Galatians 2:20

- I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me.
- **And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.**



Teaching the **TRUTH**

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John 15:10

- If you keep my commandments, **you will abide in my love**, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love.



John 15:12

- “This is my commandment, that you **love one another** as I have loved you.

John 15:13



- **Greater love** has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.



John 15:17

- These things I command you,
so that you will love
one another.

love

Love Manifests Itself In



- **Patience**
- **Compassion**
- **Kindness**
- **Tolerance**
- **Politeness**
- **Self-control**
- **Respect**
- **Gratitude**





John 3:16

- For this is the way **God loved the world:** He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.



Now We Can Look @

1 John



1 John 2:5

- but **whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected.** By this we may know that we are in him:



1 John 2:15

- Do not love the world or the things in the world.
- If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

- **What do I love?**



- **Why do I love?**

- **Who do I love?**

- **How do I love?**



1 John 3:10

- By this it is evident who are the children of God, and who are the children of the devil: whoever does not practice righteousness is not of God, nor is the one who does not love his brother.



Genuine conversion creates in the heart of the believer a love that the world cannot understand which manifests itself in authentic love for



Love for

- 1) God, Jesus and the Spirit
- 2) My brothers and sisters in Christ
- 3) Humanity: born and unborn
- 4) Our enemies



1 John 3:11

- For this is the message that you have heard from the beginning, that **we should love one another.**



1 John 3:14

- We know that we have passed out of death into life, **because we love the brothers.**
- **Whoever does not love abides in death.**



**Loving v. not loving is
the ultimate test for an
individual to determine
the legitimacy of their
conversion.**

Have you been born from above?



1 John 3:17

- But if anyone has the world's goods and **sees his brother in need**, yet closes his heart against him, **how does God's love abide in him?**

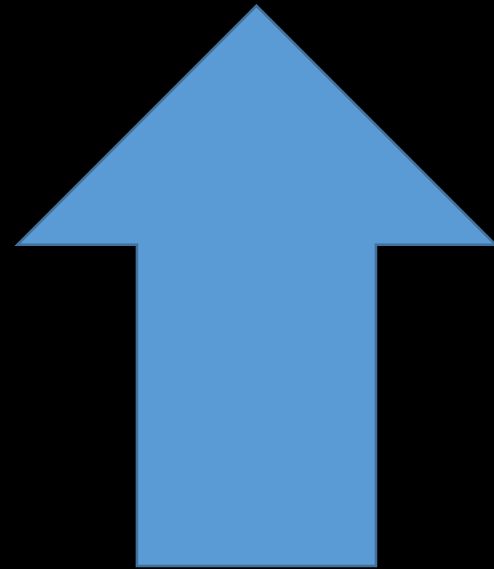


Food Drive



1 John 3:18

- Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.





**When you spend and/or
save all the money you earn on
yourself or your household what
are you communicating by your
choices?**

**How can a believer say they love
God and give nothing to the
church?**



1 John 3:23

- And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us.



1 John 4:7

- Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God.



And Now John Goes to the Cross



1 John 4:8-9

- Anyone who does not love does not know God, **because God is love.** ⁹ In this the love of God was made manifest among us, **that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him.**



Joy



**the emotion evoked by well-being, success,
or good fortune or by the prospect of
possessing what one desires: delight**

gladness



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Aa

χαίρω

Transliteration

chairō

Pronunciation

khī'-rō (Key)



Part of Speech

verb

Root Word (Etymology)

A primary verb

χαρά

Transliteration*chara***Pronunciation**

khä-rä' (Key)

**Part of Speech**

feminine noun

Root Word (Etymology)

From χαίρω (G5463)



Nehemiah 8:10

- Then he said to them, “Go your way. Eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions to anyone who has nothing ready, for this day is holy to our Lord. **And do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength.”**



Hebrews 12:2

- looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.



There is a **gladness** that is supposed to transcend our earthly reality because of our knowledge of our God and His Son and the Gospel.



Turn Again To

John 15



John 15:11

- These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.



- **Philippians 3:1 (ESV)**
- **¹ Finally, my brothers, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you is no trouble to me and is safe for you.**
- **Philippians 4:4 (ESV)**
- **⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice.**



love, joy, and peace

Peace



freedom from disquieting or oppressive thoughts or emotions

harmony in personal relations



John 14:27

- Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.

Works of the Flesh	Works of the Spirit
Hatred/ Bitterness	Love
Wrath/ Anger	Joy
Sexual immorality	Self-control
Contentions/Quarreling	Peaceful
Uncleanness/ lewdness	Faithfulness
Idolatry/ Sorcery	Righteousness
Jealousy	Humility
Selfishness/ Greed	Giving / Generous
Covetousness	Thankfulness
Drunkenness	Patience
Lying	Truth
Filthy Language	Kindness/ Goodness
Blasphemy	Gentleness
Stealing	Forgiveness