

Home Group Discussion Guide for Fruit of Faithfulness

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The following questions are designed to help groups explore the message above by challenging participants to consider how God is wanting them to apply it to their lives.

*The questions are a **guide** to help lead discussion.*

Please don't feel that all questions need to be asked, instead respond to the needs of your group.

If you have new people in your group, take the opportunity to introduce each other and clarify any expectations that are present in your group (such as confidentiality).

GETTING STARTED

1. How do you naturally respond when someone asks you how things are going?
 - a. What does this reveal about what you measure / value?
2. What was the main challenge or idea that stood out to you from the message on Sunday?

REFLECTING ON THE MESSAGE

Key Scriptures: *John 15:5-17; John 13:34-35; Galatians 5:6-9; Galatians 5:13-23*

1. What are some of the things you have traditionally seen Churches focus on / celebrate / measure?
 - a. What does this reveal about what they value?

(Read John 15:5-17)

2. What are some of the things that Jesus highlights and celebrates as He is teaching His disciples?
 - a. Are these things that you take time to reflect on? Why/Why not?

3. If we chose to answer the questions; "How is Church going? / How is my Christian walk going?" using the fruit of love that Jesus describes – What would this look like?
 - a. How does our focus change/shift?

(Read Galatians 5:13-23)

4. Take the opportunity to look at each of the Fruit of the Spirit that Paul shares – What do each of these look like in our lives? Be specific.

RESPONDING TO THE MESSAGE

1. Is there part of this focus on Fruit of faithfulness that has resonated strongly with you? Why?
2. Think back over the last few weeks; Where, how, or to whom, walking in the Spirit was I able to express...[Fruit of the Spirit] ...this week for God's glory?
3. Is there a particular fruit that you would like to grow/develop in your life?
 - a. What can you practically do to help develop this?

OPPORTUNITY FOR PRAYER

Our Home Groups are the primary place for pastoral care to occur within the Church. We would encourage you to take the opportunity to pray for each other in this space.

