

The Fruit from the Spirit
Against such things there is no law

- I. Summary of the Fruit from the Spirit (Gal. 5:22-23).
1. Study objectives:
 - 1) How do you access it?
 - 2) How do you recognized it when enabled?
 - 3) How do you use it?
 2. Nine facets, parts—all a divine enabling in the realm of the human spirit: rational.
 - 1) All mental perceptions.
 - 2) All contrary to what would ‘normally’ be perceived as appeals of the soul—emotions and bodily appetites.
 - 3) Most facets ‘govern’ one’s emotions (*cf.* 1 Pet. 2:11).
 - 4) All take place in the Mind of Christ (1 Cor. 2:16).
 - 5) All are logically based on the riches received because Christ is in you (Col. 1:27).
 - 6) Most facets ‘govern’ one’s emotions.
- II. **“... *against such things there is no quality of law*”** (Gal.5:23).
1. Is this statement giving authorization to sin?
 2. ‘Law’ that contain rules stated as a prohibition simulate the sin nature (Rom. 7:7).
 3. When we state that Christians are not under any prohibitive law/rule, this is not a license to sin (Rom. 6:14-15).
 4. Freedom from The Law is freedom form the sin nature (Rom. 6:18, 22; 8:2).
 5. We are not under The Law, or any negative rules, but we are under the Law of Christ (1 Cor. 9:21).
 6. The Law of Christ is fulfilling the New Commandment (Gal. 6:2, 5:13; Jn. 13:34).
 7. The New Commandment cannot be broken, since it is not expressed in negative terms, nor does it have a stated consequence; it is either fulfilled or not.
 8. All negative prohibitions in the 10 Commandments are also warnings the New Testament to carnal Christians and those anticipating unrighteousness, except the 4th Commandment (*cf.* Rom. 14:4-5; Col. 2:16).

Summary

The Fruit from the Spirit is:

- the divinely given ability to have a godly mental outlook toward activity. It is designed to produce good works in the Christian's life (Jn. 15:1-16).
- a mental enabling to discern things from the perspective of the riches coming from Christ in you (Col. 1:27).
- a divine enabling to transcend emotional and bodily appeals to the soul that would thwart producing fruit.
- the Holy Spirit aiding the spiritual Christian to produce fruit.

The Fruit from the Spirit (Gal. 5:22-23) One fruit, nine facets—all divine enabling		
Love	A delight in the spiritual welfare of the one loved, even to the point of self-sacrifice.	Jn. 13:34
Joy	A mental willingness to accept and appreciate any circumstance, without resentment or frustration.	Jam. 1:2
Peace	An unruffled mind; it is an inner overriding tranquility of rationale; it is not an emotion.	Jn. 14:27; Phil. 4:4-7
Longsuffering	An enabling to focus on the spiritual goal, to the extent that nothing, or nobody can distract from the intended end.	Jam. 4:7-8
Kindness	A gracious attitude toward people who do not necessarily warrant it.	1 Cor. 13:4
Goodness	A quality of the mind and heart in the spiritual Christian to have an inner satisfaction in living a Christian life-style; this is manifest as a happy demeanor.	Rom. 5:7; 1 Tim. 1:11
Faith	An enabling to count as real a <i>promise</i> from God. The promise contains a <i>hope</i> , or content. Faith to live by, appropriates the promises to sustain a Christian life.	Rom. 1:17; Heb. 11:1; 10:38
Meekness	An objectivity of mind that is not swayed by circumstance or emotion.	Nu. 12:3; Mt. 11:29; 21:5 <i>cf.</i> Jn. 4:34
Self-control	An ability to keep one's body in subjection so that its needs and appetites do not interfere with one's Christian life.	1 Cor. 9:24-27