

Spirit Filling, part 13 The Fruit from the Spirit

I. The Fruit from the Spirit, the facet of love (Gal. 5:22).

1. A new definition for love was given in the Upper Room.
2. **Love** is the delight in the spiritual welfare of the one loved resulting in action, even to the point of self-sacrifice.
3. Enabling from the Holy Spirit.
4. New standard, new quality, new source, new objects.

II. The Father loves His spiritual children (1 Jn. 3:9).

1. When Christians give to His work cheerfully (2 Cor. 9:7; Phil. 4:18).
2. When His children's behavior requires child-training due to unrighteousness.
 - 1) Child discipline is initiated by Christ as Head of the Body (Rom. 8:34; 1 Cor. 11:32; Heb. 7:25).
 - 2) The offence against the Father causes the Holy Spirit to grieve (Eph. 4:30).
 - i. The Holy Spirit's grieving is designed cause the Christian to grieve (2 Cor. 7:9).
 - ii. The Christian's grieving is designed have him respond by changing his mind concerning the unrighteousness behavior.
 - iii. The grieving continues till it outweighs the benefits of unrighteousness.
 - 3) The Father then applies the whip (Heb. 12:5-11).
 - i. He whips with a gradation of severity (1 Cor. 11:29-30).
 - ii. Even up to the point of physical death (1 Jn. 5:16-17; Rom. 6:13-16; 8:13; 1 Cor. 5:1; 10:7-10; 11:30; 2 Cor. 7:10; Gal. 6:7-8; Heb. 10:26; Jam. 1:15)
 - iii. The Father does not child-train children of the devil.
 - 4) Distinguishing between discipline and trials.
 - i. Are you ceremonially clean? (1 Jn. 1:9).
 - ii. Are you using the discernment that comes from the Spirit (1 Cor. 2:15; Heb. 5:14).