

# Holy Spirit | Part 3 Bill Bush | 08.15.2020

# Big Idea

The Fruit of the Spirit is not a quest for perfection, but a test of connection.

# Galatians 5:22-26

- <sup>22</sup> But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,
- <sup>23</sup> gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things!
- <sup>24</sup> Those who belong to Christ Jesus have nailed the passions and desires of their sinful nature to his cross and crucified them there.
- <sup>25</sup> Since we are living by the Spirit, let us follow the Spirit's leading in every part of our lives.
- <sup>26</sup> Let us not become conceited, or provoke one another, or be jealous of one another.

#### What is the Fruit?

How you connect to God - KNOW

- Love
- Joy
- Peace

How you connect to others - GROW

- Patience
- Kindness
- Goodness

How you connect to the mission God has given you - GO

- Faithfulness
- Gentleness
- Self-control

## How does the Fruit work?

- Gradual
- Inevitable
- Singular
- Dependent on its roots

# John 15:5-8

- <sup>1</sup> "I am the true grapevine, and my Father is the gardener.
- <sup>2</sup> He cuts off every branch of mine that doesn't produce fruit, and he prunes the branches that do bear fruit so they will produce even more.
- <sup>3</sup> You have already been pruned and purified by the message I have given you.
- <sup>4</sup> Remain in me, and I will remain in you. For a branch cannot produce fruit if it is severed from the vine, and you cannot be fruitful unless you remain in me.
- <sup>5</sup> "Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing.
- <sup>6</sup> Anyone who does not remain in me is thrown away like a useless branch and withers. Such branches are gathered into a pile to be burned.
- <sup>7</sup> But if you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask for anything you want, and it will be granted!
- <sup>8</sup> When you produce much fruit, you are my true disciples. This brings great glory to my Father.

If God doesn't like your peaches, He will shake your tree!

# Response:

- How is the Fruit of the Spirit evident in your life?
- Are you grieving the Spirit, or is He really present in your life?