



The **VINE** and the **FRUIT**



GALATIANS 5:22-23A NLT

²²But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control.





The Fruit
of the Week

PEACE







In the Old Testament, peace is the word *shalom*, and in the New Testament it is the word *eiréné*. They both have the idea of wholeness, peace of mind, and all-around well-being.





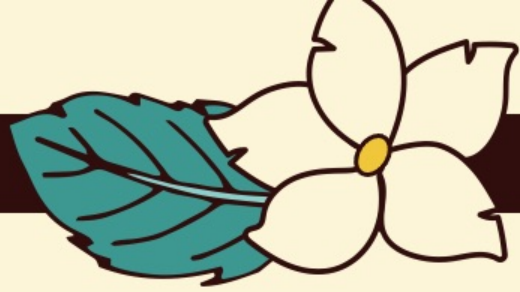
Most of us tend to try and find peace in the things that surround us. Jesus wants us to find peace in Him, which is in us.





The peace you have is in
direct proportion to
your proximity to the Vine.





Before we can get into practical ways of identifying the Fruit of Peace in our lives, we need to understand what God has already instituted concerning peace.





We need to understand
the peace God made.





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EPHESIANS 2:13-17 NIV

¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who
once were far away have been brought
near by the blood of Christ.





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EPHESIANS 2:13-17 NIV

¹⁴For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, ¹⁵by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility. ¹⁷He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near.





We need to understand
the peace God gives.





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1 JOHN 1:9 NLT

⁹But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness.





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ROMANS 5:1-2 NLT

¹Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us. ²Because of our faith, Christ has brought us into this place of undeserved privilege where we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully look forward to sharing God's glory.





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the peace God gives.

PHILIPPIANS 4:6-7 NIV

⁶Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.





What does
bearing the
Fruit of Peace
look like in
my life?



It provides an inner calm and fuels wise decision making.



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COLOSSIANS 3:15 NIV

¹⁵Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.

It makes right all wrongs.



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ROMANS 14:19 NIV

¹⁹Let us therefore make every effort to do what leads to peace and to mutual edification.

It provides rest in
relationships.



If you are internally unsettled it will externally precede every room you walk into.



It displaces worry.



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MATTHEW 6:25-27 NIV

²⁵"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? ²⁶Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? ²⁷Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?"



It relieves stress.



It relieves stress.



PSALM 29:11 NIV

¹¹ The Lord gives strength to his people;
the Lord blesses his people with peace.

It produces clear thinking.



It produces clear thinking.



JOHN 16:33 NLT

³³“I have told you all this so that you may have peace in me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world.”

It makes us peacemakers.



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MATTHEW 5:9 NIV

⁹Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

It eradicates fear.



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JOHN 14:27 NLT

²⁷“I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don't be troubled or afraid.”



OUR RESPONSE:

“Lord, develop peace in me so that I can deliver peace to others and to my circumstances.”

