

GUIDE YOUR WAYS

RECALIBRATE

Galatians 5:16 So I say, let the Holy Spirit guide your lives. Then you won't be doing what your sinful nature craves.

Matthew 12:35 "A good person produces good things from the treasury of a good heart, and an evil person produces evil things from the treasury of an evil heart." (NLT)

Ephesians 4:21 Since you have heard about Jesus and have learned the truth that comes from him, **22** throw off your old sinful nature and your former way of life, which is corrupted by lust and deception. **23** Instead, let the Spirit renew your thoughts and attitudes. **24** Put on your new nature, created to be like God—truly righteous and holy. (NLT)

Philippians 1:27 Above all, you must live as citizens of heaven, conducting yourselves in a manner worthy of the Good News about Christ. (NLT)

TRAIN MY _____

TO GEAR MY _____

TO AFFECT MY _____

TO GUIDE MY _____

Galatians 5:22 But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, **23** gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things! (NLT)

Galatians 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, **23** gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. (NASB)

Galatians 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, **23** gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. (NKJV)

_____ Your _____

Fruit: καρπός; (Greek - karpos [kar-pos']); (a) fruit, generally vegetable, sometimes animal, (b) met: fruit, deed, action, result, (c) profit, gain.

- Properly, fruit; (figuratively) everything done in true partnership with Christ, i.e. a believer (a branch) lives in union with Christ (the Vine).
- By definition, fruit (karpós) results from two life-streams – the Lord living His life through ours – to yield what is eternal (1 Jn 4:17)

John 15:5 "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." (NLT)

1 John 4:7 Dear friends, let us continue to love one another, for love comes from God. Anyone who loves is a child of God and knows God. (NLT)

Not

Matthew 12:33 "A tree is identified by its fruit. If a tree is good, its fruit will be good. If a tree is bad, its fruit will be bad. **34** You brood of snakes! How could evil men like you speak what is good and right? For whatever is in your heart determines what you say. **35** A good person produces good things from the treasury of a good heart, and an evil person produces evil things from the treasury of an evil heart. **36** And I tell you this, you must give an account on judgment day for every idle word you speak. **37** The words you say will either acquit you or condemn you." (NLT)

Fruit

Ephesians 1:13 And now you Gentiles have also heard the truth, the Good News that God saves you. And when you believed in Christ, he identified you as his own by giving you the Holy Spirit, whom he promised long ago. **14** The Spirit is God's guarantee that he will give us the inheritance he promised and that he has purchased us to be his own people. He did this so we would praise and glorify him. (NLT)

Hebrews 13:20 Now may the God of peace—who brought up from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, and ratified an eternal covenant with his blood—**21** may he equip you with all you need for doing his will. May he produce in you, through the power of Jesus Christ, every good thing that is pleasing to him. All glory to him forever and ever! Amen. (NLT)

Equals

Matthew 7:16 "You can identify them by their fruit, that is, by the way they act. Can you pick grapes from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? **17** A good tree produces good fruit, and a bad tree produces bad fruit. **18** A good tree can't produce bad fruit, and a bad tree can't produce good fruit. **19** So every tree that does not produce good fruit is chopped down and thrown into the fire. **20** Yes, just as you can identify a tree by its fruit, so you can identify people by their actions." (NLT)

Galatians 5:19 When you follow the desires of your sinful nature, the results are very clear: sexual immorality, impurity, lustful pleasures, **20** idolatry, sorcery, hostility, quarreling, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambition, dissension, division, **21** envy, drunkenness, wild parties, and other sins like these. Let me tell you again, as I have before, that anyone living that sort of life will not inherit the Kingdom of God. (NLT)

1 Corinthians 11:1 And you should imitate me, just as I imitate Christ. (NLT)

Philippians 1:6 And I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns. (NLT)

Love: ἀγάπη; (Greek - agapé [ag-ah'-pay]); love, benevolence, good will, esteem

- Centers in moral preference. So too in secular ancient Greek, (agápē) focuses on preference;
- Likewise the verb form (agapáō) in antiquity meant "to prefer" (TDNT, 7). In the NT, (agápē) typically refers to divine love (= what God prefers).

- The Greek language has multiple words for love, in the Bible the three used include eros, which is sexual love, and Philos, which is brotherly love.
- Agape' is perfect love that only God can give.

Over

John 15:9 "I have loved you even as the Father has loved me. Remain in my love. **10** When you obey my commandments, you remain in my love, just as I obey my Father's commandments and remain in his love. **11** I have told you these things so that you will be filled with my joy. Yes, your joy will overflow!" (NLT)

Joy: χαρά; (Greek - chara [khar-ah']); joy, gladness, a source of joy.

- From the root xar-, "extend favor, lean towards, be favorably disposed"
- Properly, the awareness (of God's) grace, favor; joy ("grace recognized"

Over

James 1:2 Dear brothers and sisters, when troubles of any kind come your way, consider it an opportunity for great joy. **3** For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow. (NLT)

James 1:2 Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, **3** because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. (NASB)

Peace: εἰρήνη; (Greek - eiréné [i-ray'-nay]); one, peace, quietness, rest

- Peace, peace of mind; invocation of peace a common Jewish farewell, in the Hebraistic sense of the health (welfare) of an individual.
- Is inclusive of life without conflict, as well as wholeness and harmony with God and others. A life of peace is safe and secure both physically and mentally.

Over

John 16:33 "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." (NLT)

Romans 8:6 So letting your sinful nature control your mind leads to death. But letting the Spirit control your mind leads to life and peace. (NLT)

Patience: μακροθυμία; (Greek - makrothumia [mak-roth-oo-mee'-ah]); patience, forbearance, long-suffering

Over

1 Timothy 1:16 But God had mercy on me so that Christ Jesus could use me as a prime example of his great patience with even the worst sinners. Then others will realize that they, too, can believe in him and receive eternal life. *(NLT)*

Ephesians 4:1 Therefore I, a prisoner for serving the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of your calling, for you have been called by God. **2** Always be humble and gentle. Be patient with each other, making allowance for each other's faults because of your love. *(NLT)*

1 Corinthians 13:5 Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous or boastful or proud **5** or rude. It does not demand its own way. It is not irritable, and it keeps no record of being wronged. **6** It does not rejoice about injustice but rejoices whenever the truth wins out. **7** Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance. *(NLT)*

Isaiah 53:7 He was oppressed and treated harshly, yet he never said a word. He was led like a lamb to the slaughter. And as a sheep is silent before the shearers, he did not open his mouth. *(NLT)*

Kindness: χρηστότης; (Greek - chréstorés [khray-stot'-ace]); goodness, uprightness, kindness, gentleness.

Over

Romans 2:4 Don't you see how wonderfully kind, tolerant, and patient God is with you? Does this mean nothing to you? Can't you see that his kindness is intended to turn you from your sin? *(NLT)*

- It is God's compassion that leads us to repentance, not judgment. The Holy Spirit enables us to have moral integrity with kindness and not get trapped in self-righteousness judgement.

Goodness: ἀγαθωσύνη; (Greek - agathosune [ag-ath-o-soo'-nay]); intrinsic goodness, especially as a personal quality, with stress on the kindly (rather than the righteous) side of goodness.

- Occurs four times in the NT, and is apparently strictly a biblical term, It does not seem to appear at all in secular Greek.

Over

2 Thessalonians 1:11 So we keep on praying for you, asking our God to enable you to live a life worthy of his call. May he give you the power to accomplish all the good things your faith prompts you to do. *(NLT)*

Faithfulness: πίστις; (Greek - pistis [pis'-tis]); faith, belief, trust, confidence; fidelity, faithfulness.

- Faith is always a gift from God, and never something that can be produced by people

_____ **Over** _____

2 Thessalonians 1:11 So we keep on praying for you, asking our God to enable you to live a life worthy of his call. May he give you the power to accomplish all the good things your faith prompts you to do. *(NLT)*

Psalms 33:4 For the word of the Lord holds true, and we can trust everything he does. *(NLT)*

Gentleness: πραΰτης; (Greek - prautés [prah-oo'-tace]); mildness, gentleness.

- Begins with the Lord's inspiration and finishes by His direction and empowerment. It is a divinely-balanced virtue that can only operate through faith

_____ **Over** _____

Philippians 2:5 You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had. **6** Though he was God, he did not think of equality with God as something to cling to. **7** Instead, he gave up his divine privileges; he took the humble position of a slave and was born as a human being. When he appeared in human form, *(NLT)*

Proverbs 15:4 Gentle words are a tree of life; a deceitful tongue crushes the spirit. *(NLT)*

Self-control: ἐγκράτεια; (Greek - egkrateia [eng-krat'-i-ah]); self-mastery, self-restraint, self-control, continence.

- Proceeding out from within oneself, but not by oneself.

_____ **Over** _____

Galatians 5:16 So I say, let the Holy Spirit guide your lives. Then you won't be doing what your sinful nature craves. **17** The sinful nature wants to do evil, which is just the opposite of what the Spirit wants. And the Spirit gives us desires that are the opposite of what the sinful nature desires. These two forces are constantly fighting each other, so you are not free to carry out your good intentions. *(NLT)*

Galatians 5:22 But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, **23** gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things! *(NLT)*

Pray this verse...

Holy Spirit, I recognize that it is only through you that my heart will be recalibrated to the heart of God. It is only through you that my thoughts recalibrate to your thoughts. I want to think like You think. My attitude must be recalibrated to the attitude Jesus had.

**2022 Devotions:
Ohio For Jesus
Prayer Guide: Week #5**