

Fellowship Notes

Fruitopia - Part 7

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

✓ **Pistis {pis-tis}** (NT Greek) - the _____ of one who can be _____ on.

Faithful & True

(Matthew 25:14, 19-30 NLT) "...the Kingdom of Heaven can be illustrated by the story of a man going on a trip. He called together his servants and gave them money to invest for him while he was gone...After a long time their master returned from his trip and called them to give an account of how they had used his money. The servant to whom he had entrusted the five bags of gold said, 'Sir, you gave me five bags of gold to invest, and I have doubled the amount.' The master was full of praise. 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. You have been faithful in handling this small amount, so now I will give you many more responsibilities. Let's celebrate together!' "Next came the servant who had received the two bags of gold, with the report, 'Sir, you gave me two bags of gold to invest, and I have doubled the amount.' The master said, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. You have been faithful in handling this small amount, so now I will give you many more responsibilities. Let's celebrate together!' "Then the servant with the one bag of gold came and said, 'Sir, I know you are a hard man, harvesting crops you didn't plant and gathering crops you didn't cultivate. I was afraid I would lose your money, so I hid it in the earth and here it is.' To those who use well what they are given, even more will be given, and they will have an abundance. But from those who are unfaithful, even what little they have will be taken away. Now throw this useless servant into outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

✓ **Faithfulness** _____.

(Matthew 25:21 NLT) 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. You have been faithful in handling this small amount, so now I will give you many more responsibilities. Let's celebrate together!'

✓ **Faithfulness** _____ Him.

(Matthew 25:24-25 NLT) 'Sir, I know you are a hard man, harvesting crops you didn't plant and gathering crops you didn't cultivate. I was afraid I would lose your money, so I hid it in the earth and here it is.'

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Faithfulness leads to _____.

(Matthew 25:29 NLT) "To those who use well what they are given, even more will be given, and they will have an abundance."

Living a Faithful Life

(Psalm 31:5 NLT) "I entrust my spirit to your hand...for you are a faithful God."

(Psalm 106:1 NLT) "Praise the Lord! Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good! His faithful love endures forever."

1. Be faithful to _____.

(Proverbs 2:8 NLT) "He guards the paths of justice and protects those who are faithful to him."

(Psalm 18:25 NLT) "To the faithful you show yourself faithful; to those with integrity you show integrity."

2. Be faithful to your _____.

(Psalm 27:11 NLT) "Teach me how to live, O LORD. Lead me along the path of honesty, for my enemies are waiting for me to fail."

(Matthew 5:37 NLT) "Just say a simple, 'Yes, I will' or 'No, I won't.' Your word is enough. To strengthen your promise with a vow shows that something is wrong."

3. Be faithful to your _____.

(Psalm 139:14 NIV) "I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well."

(Romans 12:3 NLT) "As God's messenger, I give each of you this warning: Be honest in your estimate of yourselves..."

(Hebrews 11:6 NLT) "So, you see, it is impossible to please God without faith. Anyone who wants to come to him must believe that there is a God and that he rewards those who sincerely seek him."