



I BELIEVE

If you have never believed in Jesus Christ as your Savior, take a moment now to know that God the Father loves us and sent His Son, Jesus Christ, down from heaven to become a man to pay the penalty for all of our sins and not only ours but for the sins of the whole world. He was without sin and He paid the price for everyone's sins on the cross. After that He was buried in a tomb and then rose again from the dead. If you believe in Jesus, you will spend eternity with God in heaven forever and no one can snatch you out of God's hands! This is God's TRUTH.

John 3:16 "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life."



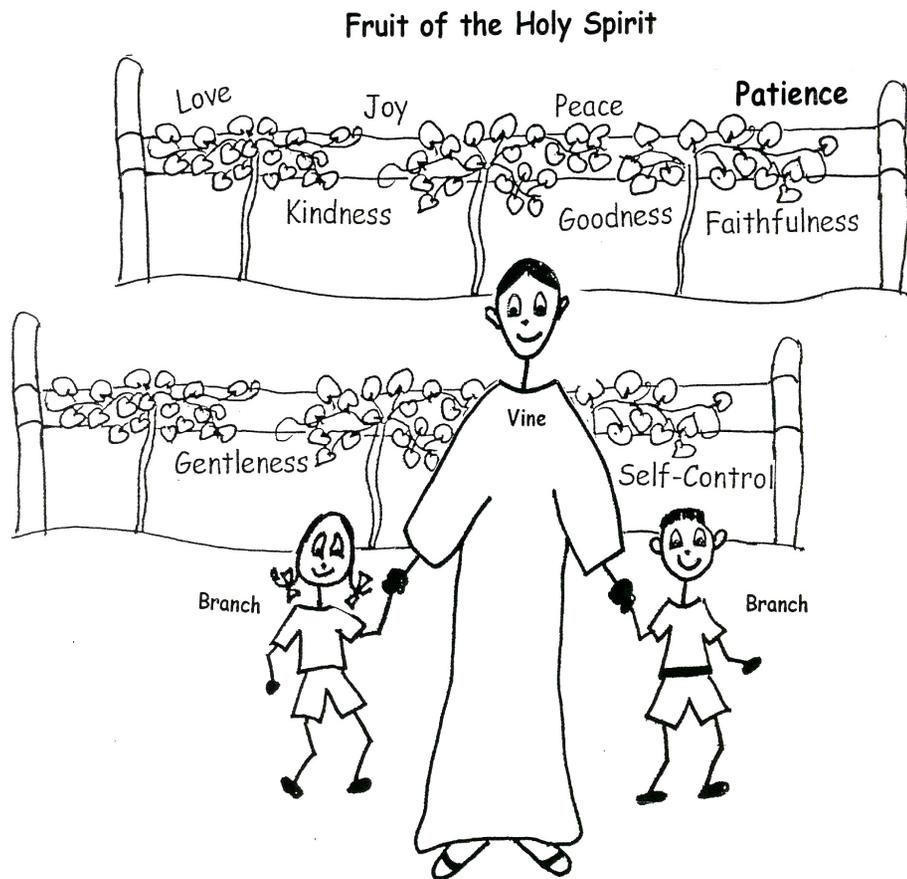
Colossians 1:10-11 So that you will walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every [divine] good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for the attaining of all steadfastness [hupomone] and patience [makrothumia].

Patience and the Two Power Options

We talked about two kinds of patience in lessons #37 & #38. Makrothumia is patience shown while being treated badly by a person. Hupomone is patience shown while going through trials, difficulties and hardships. How do we get these two types of patience? Real patience can only come as a grace gift from God. That means we don't earn it or deserve it. It comes from the two power options: knowledge of Bible doctrine and the almighty power of the Holy Spirit. We have to make decisions to use these two power options. Sometimes our decision will be "yes" and sometimes it will be "no". We want to get to the point where we say "yes" most of the time. The Holy Spirit wants to give us supernatural power and patience to deal with life! God wants to give us His power! What a wonderful gift to be able to deal with people and circumstances with patience! God wants to give us the fruit of the Holy Spirit. Let's accept this gift from God! Let's let Him do the work in us that needs to be done to change our thinking to His thinking!

*Go to allaboardgodstrain.org and read *Fourth Part of the Fruit of the Spirit, PATIENCE.**

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



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