

Topic: Love and Joy

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It is important to understand, when we teach others, we teach ourselves as well. When reading scriptures, we must realize that no matter how long you have been in this truth you still learn.

"The learning never stops..."

<u>Psalm 19:4 (KJV)</u> Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer

We know that our heart is our mind and the Lord is our strength.

Proverbs 15:3 (KJV) The eyes of the Lord are in every place, beholding the evil and the good.

- You can be in sin just by your thoughts.
- Watch your thoughts, the Most High knows them

Galatians 5:16 (KJV) This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

- Walk in the Sprit, by doing this we control our Spirit.
- Controlling our Spirit, we get the Kingdom.
- The Spirit and Flesh will always battle
- Feminist spirit will battle with being submissive to your husband.
- Our flesh will create problems.
- We would be terrible and towards each other if we did not have the bible as a guide us
- ➤ The Fruits of The Spirit.



- Our job is to be an example for each other.
- The Most High will get you if you're not acting in an princess way.

Troublemaker Spirits

- > Hatred
- Wrath
- > Strife
- Murder

Sooner than later, these types of spirits will meet it's match >>> someone who is a troublemaker just as they are.

We must ask ourselves What does it benefit me or anyone to carry on a negative spirit?

- We must realize, you cannot talk to folks any ole type of way. Our job is to practice the Fruits of the Spirit.
- We must be concerned about the consequences of our actions.
- This will not be easy, but we must do it. TMH is watching
- > Spirit and Flesh will always bump heads and there will always be something.
- You must kill off the fleshly spirit daily >>>

Think of it as a garden. The weeds will always try to take over the garden. We must prune away the weeds to allow the flowers, plants, etc. to grow. This is the same as we need to do in applying the Fruits of the Spirit. Prune out the weeds (fleshly spirits) to allow the flowers (Fruits of the Spirit) to grow. If we are not careful, some weeds can and will take over. We must do the pruning over and over; year after year.

1 Corinthians 6:9 (KJV) Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind,

- Unrighteousness will not get the Kingdom. Be not deceived.
- These types of spirits will not get the kingdom.
- > These types of spirits are of the flesh and will always fight against the spirit.

Define Hatred - Intense, dislike or ill will.

Synonyms loathing, dislike, resentment, animosity and bitterness.

<u>Define Deceived</u> – causing someone to believe someone that is not true, typically in order to gain some personal advantage. Tricked



<u>Define Resentment</u> - Feeling bitterness and/or indignation. Anger aroused by something perceived as unjust or mean. Outraged.

<u>Define Wrath</u> - Forceful, often vindictive anger or punishment. Vengeance is a manifestation of anger.

Synonyms Anger, rage, temper, fury, irritation, displeasure.

Side Note If your children are intimidated by words, break the words down with them in syllables to help them to understand.

2 Timothy 2:24 (KJV) And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient,

- > Be gentle unto all men
- You do not want to mess with someone who has nothing to lose
- If we do not get the results we hope for, just know that there is a God. Trust in Him.
- > TMH has our angels with us. To guide us and protect
- > The angels are also taking account for every action

<u>Philippians 2:12 (KJV)</u> Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.

- We must work out our own Salvation by meditating, studying and applying the scriptures. S.P.A.
- This also helps us to practice the Fruits of The Spirit. There is no other way.
- Examine yourself
- > Be honest with yourself when examining
- Change does not come overnight
- > TMH will keep us in certain situations to bring about the change and keep us humble
- Die daily to overcome the fighting of fleshly spirits
- We should always strive for better

Sirach 7:17 (Apocrypha) Humble thyself greatly: for the vengeance of the ungodly is fire and worms.

- Being high minded or conceited makes you ungodly
- Self-examine and look at ourselves first before looking at others
- Examining might be ugly, but we must do it and do it honestly
- > Don't be so quick to point the fingers
- We are all trying to get right so that we can go home.

Love and Joy Let's think of as getting dressed. Starting with a girdle and bra. We are all going to get dressed together. A girdle is one of those things that you get almost all the way closed, something happened, and you must start all over again. Usually you must get someone to help you. Eventually you get the girdle on. Then you can go to your top, skirt, etc. until completely dressed.



<u>Define Revile</u> – To address, speak with a continuous, abusive or Apophis language.

<u>Define Abusive</u> – Treat with cruelty or violence regularly or repeatedly

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<u>Sirach 23:15 (Apocrypha)</u> The man that is accustomed to opprobrious words, will never be reformed all the days of his life.

Some weeds are easier to pull up than others. You may even have to fast & pray to get rid of certain weeds.

Examples of ...

Weeds in the garden

Good plants in the garden (Fruits of Spirit)

	Adultery
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> Murder

Hatred

Unclean

Lying

> Love

> Joy

Peace

Goodness

Meekness

Long Suffering

Ask yourself "Am I you growing in the Fruits of the Spirit"?

Our job is to be an example. What we do is done towards the TMH. We must prove that Christ is in us.

Some attributes of Christ

- > Faithful
- **Blameless**
- Longsuffering
- Patient

By practicing being in the Spirit the closer we'll be to being more Christ-like. It's necessary to go over the basics always.

Revelation 22:15 (KJV) For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.



What's Fruits – Result or reward of an activity or work.

<u>Define Love</u> - Intense feeling of deep affection, great interest or pleasure in something. To like or enjoy very much. **Synonyms Adore, Treasure, Devoted, Affection, Care for**

Showing Affection is...

- > Gentle
- > Feeling of fondness

Opposite of Affection is...

- Hate
- > Scorn
- Detest
- Alarming
- Abhor

Make sure that we are doing the work and being involved in the body such as attending T2, Zoom etc.

1 John 5:3 (KJV) For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous.

- We must study & keep the commandments.
- > In love we must learn to love the Most High, our Lords, our children and ourselves.

<u>Sirach 30:23 (Apocrypha)</u> "Love thine own soul, and comfort thy heart, remove sorrow far from thee: for sorrow hath killed many, and there is no profit therein."

- If you suffer from depression examine what you're eating, when you're eating and how much.
- > What we consume has a lot to do with emotional balances and overall health.

Despite what America teaches, it is not normal to be down and/or depressed. Examine and keep track of your emotions. See if there is a pattern and include how you feel at these times. Make the adjustments necessary.

<u>Titus 2:4 (KJV)</u> That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children,

- Being an example is teaching
- Often, it is better to show than to say. Our actions speak louder than words.
- Loving goes with showing, not so much talking.
- What is said matters, however, showing is what we should intend to do.

<u>Leviticus 19:18 (KJV)</u> Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself: I am the Lord



> Be ye transformed >>> Do what God commands us to do.

<u>Sirach 36:22 (Apocrypha)</u> The beauty of a woman cheereth the countenance, and a man loveth nothing better.

- ➤ This is the result of practicing the Fruits of the Spirit; Love.
- It is ideal to look nice for your lords. You are not going against the scriptures to look nice for your lord or for yourself.
- You may be the only woman of the Bible he sees. Practice!

<u>Psalm 97:10 (KJV)</u> Ye that love the Lord, hate evil: he preserveth the souls of his saints; he delivereth them out of the hand of the wicked.

People cannot keep the commandments because they are comfortable in their sins. We must Love our brothers and sisters.

"Love the Lord and keep the commandments!"

John 3:14-15 (KJV)

<u>vs 14</u> And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: <u>vs 15</u> That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

> When we read the scriptures, we should remember to read once verse up and one verse down from the scripture in which you are reading for better understanding. You will receive death we continue in the works of the flesh.

<u>Proverbs 8:36 (KJV)</u> But he that sinneth against me wrongeth his own soul: all they that hate me love death.

<u>Deuteronomy 28:47 (KJV)</u> Because thou servedst not the LORD thy God with joyfulness, and with gladness of heart, for the abundance of all things;

- We have High Holy days where we can come together in joyfulness and gladness.
- Ungodly behavior is like telling the Most High he is not good enough to follow after his ways.
- Find ways to practice the righteous acts of Love! Fix the spirit of not being joyful.

<u>Define Joy</u> - the feeling of great pleasure and happiness. <u>Synonyms:</u> Bliss, Debile, Triumph, Exhortation

We received curses for not having joy.

<u>Nehemiah 8:10 (KJV)</u> Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared: for this day is holy unto our LORD: neither be ye sorry; for the joy of the LORD is your strength.

Ephesians 5:26 (KJV) That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word



- Water the good flowers in the garden
- > Find ways to practice the righteous act of Love
- ➤ Be joyful in the Lord
- ➤ Place yourself in the best possible position for success in following what the Most High says.