Galations 5:13-25

LOVE, JOY, PEACE … THOSE WHO ARE IN CHRIST ARE DISTINGUISHED FROM UNBELIEVERS IN THAT THEY HAVE BEEN GIFTED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT, HAVING A QUIET AND CALM STATE OF MIND, LIVING IN HARMONY, AND ENABLING THEM TO BEAR FRUIT.

1 John 4:7-21 … Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God; and everyone that loveth is born of God and knoweth God

1N2:49-52 …partook of fruit and filled with exceeding great joy. 1N3:63-655 …tree is the love of God…the most joyous to the soul

Matt 6:11 Blessed are all the peacemakers; for they shall be called the children of God. Romans 14:17 The kingdom of God is not meat and drink but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

LONG-SUFFERING HAVING OR SHOWING PATIENCE IN SPITE OF TROUBLES, ESPECIALLY THOSE CAUSED BY OTHER PEOPLE. PATIENTLY ENDURING LASTING OFFENSES OR HARDSHIP. JUST AS JESUS DID WITH THE PHARASEES

GENTLENESS GENTLENESS COMES FROM A STATE OF HUMILITY. IT’S THE QUALITY OF BEING KIND, TENDER, OR MILD-MANNERED. SHOWING CARE AND RESPECT FOR OTHERS IN THE WAY THAT YOU ACT AND SPEAK. SOMEONE WHO LACKS GENTLNESS IS OFTEN PRIDEFUL AND EASILY ANGERED OR FEELS THE NEED FOR REVENGE.

GOODNESS THE STATE OF QUALITY OF BEING GOOD. HAVING MORAL EXCELLENCE; VIRTUE; KINDNESS; GENEROS; GRACIOUS ATTRIBUTES. “SURELY GOODNESS AND MERCY SHALL FOLLOW ME ALL THE DAYS OF MY LIFE”

FAITH HAVING COMPLETE TRUST OF CONFIDENCE IN SOMEONE OR SOMETHING. FAITH IS THE ASSURANCE OF THINGS HOPED FOR, THE EVIDENCE OF THINGS NOT SEEN. WITHOUT FAITH IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO PLEASE HIM, FOR HE THAT COMETH TO GOD MUST BELIEVE THAT HE IS, AND THAT HE IS A REWARDER OF THEM THAT DILIGENTLY SEEK HIM

MEEKNESS AN ATTITUDE OR QUALITY OF HEART WHEREBY A PERSON IS WILLING TO ACCEPT AND SUBMIT WITHOUT RESISTENCE TO THE WILL AND DESIRE OF SOMEONE ELSE. – IN THE CASE OF CHRISTIANS - TO GOD! AN IMPERATIVE VIRTUE FOR FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST. BLESSED ARE THE MEEK, FOR THEY SHALL INHERIT THE EARTH

TEMPERANCE A VIRTUE THAT MODERATES ATTRACTION AND DESIRE FOR PLEASURE AND “PROVIDES BALANCE IN THE USE OF CREATED GOODS”. – MODERATIONIN ACTION, THOUGHT OR FEELING: RESTRAINT – HABITUAL MODERATION IN THE INDULGENCE OF THE APPETITES OR PASSIONS – MODERATION IN OR ABSTINENCE FROM THE USE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

V25 - IF WE LIVE IN THE SPIRIT, LET US ALSO WALK IN THE SPIRIT.

MERCIFUL FULL OF MERCY; COMPASSIONATE. S PROVIDING RELIEF ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU ARE IN A POSITION TO PUNISH OR TREAT SOMEONE HARSHLY. BLESSED ARE THE MERCIFUL FOR THEY SHALL OBTAIN MERCY

KINDNESS THE QUALITY OF BEING FRIENDLY, GENEROUS, AND CONSIDERATE. KINDNESS GOES BEYOND JUST BEING NICE. WOULD YOU PREFER PEOPLE TO DESCRIBE YOU TO BE “KIND” OR “NICE”? THERE CAN BE A LACK OF SINCERETY IN JUST BEING NICE; THERE IS OFTEN A PERCEPTION OF DOING THE MINIMUM.

FORGIVING ONE ANOTHER FORGIVE OUR TRESPASSES AS WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO TRESPASS AGAINST US. BE KIND AND COMPASSIONATE TO ONE ANOTHER, TENDERHEARTED, FORGIVE ONE ANOTHER, EVEN AS GOD FOR CHRIST’S SAKE HATH FORGIVEN YOU.

CHARITY IN CHRISTIAN THOUGHT, THE HIGEST FORM OF LOVE. - WHEREFORE, CLEAVE UNTO CHARITY, WHICH IS THE GREATEST OF ALL, FOR ALL THINGS MUST FAIL; BUT CHARITY IS THE PURE LOVE OF CHRIST, AND IT ENDURETH FOR EVER; AND WHOSO IS FOUND POSSESSED OF IT AT THE LAST DAY, IT SHALL BE WELL WITH THEM.

WISDOM THE QUALITY OF HAVING EXPERIENCE, KNOWLEDGE, AND GOOD JUDGEMENT; THE QUALITY OF BEIGN WISE. WISDOM IS THE PRINCIPAL THING; THEREFORE GET WISDOM; AND WITH ALL THY GETTING GET UNDERSTANDING.

HUMBLENESS OF MIND – HUMILITY MARKED BY MEEKNESS OR MODESTY IN BEHAVIOR, ATTITUDE, OR SPIRIT; NOT ARROGANT OR PRIDEFUL. BEING HUMBLE IS A STATE OF MIND; IT’S THE WAY WE THINK AND VIEW MATTERS IN LIFE. THE APOSTLE PAUL URGED US TO “ PUT ON THEREFORE, AS THE ELECT OF GOD, HOLY AND BELOVED, BOWELS OF MERCIES, KINDNESS, HUMBLENESS OF MIND, MEEKNESS, LONG SUFFERING…