

**Title:** Fruit of the Spirit

**Subtitle:** The Battle to Bear Fruit

**Text:** Galatians 5:24

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1. Be \_\_\_\_\_

## 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. **24** **And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.**

2. Remember \_\_\_\_\_

3. Don't \_\_\_\_\_

## APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. Read **1 Thessalonians 1:2-10**. Recall your conversion to Christ and list some of the most obvious changes that the “full conviction” of the gospel brought to your life. What evidences of regeneration are the most reassuring to you when you are tempted to doubt that you belong to Christ?
2. Read **2 Corinthians 13:5** and **Matthew 13:18-30**. What are some of the dangers of being quick to tell professing Christians to never doubt their standing in Christ? What appropriate role can doubt serve for those who attend church and name the name of Christ?
3. Read **Romans 6:1-11** and **Galatians 2:20**. How can looking at the realities of the profound transaction that took place on the cross two thousand years ago give you strength and courage to face your temptations this week?
4. Read **Titus 2:9-14**. What are some of the specific acts of self-denial that are required to live your life this week in a godly way that reflects that you are a participant in the grace of the gospel?
5. Read **Galatians 6:14**; **Romans 12:1-2** and **1 John 2:15-17**. The Bible often reminds us that our world’s system and values do not assist us in our calling to be more like Jesus. What are some of the ways our culture tries to encourage and applaud your feelings that work against you being more conformed to the image of Christ?