

- Eph 4:32 And be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you.
- How? Gal. 5:22--→by power of Holy Spirit
- Col 3:12 & so, as those who have been chosen of God, holy & beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness & patience;
- How? Gal. 5:22 fruit of HS ---
- Walk in Spirit,
- Led of Spirit,
- live by HS,
- follow the Spirit
- How? by Faith in Holy Spirit

- **Why** does God make kindness a fruit of Holy Spirit?
- 1st because God the Father desires that we be like Christ & Christ was kind.
- 2 Because kindness attracts others to the Gospel, to the Love of God.
- 1 Pet 2:3 if you have tasted the kindness of the Lord.

- But Only in the power of Spirit can we know what is good,
- & only in the power of Spirit can we do good
- we must know where this goodness comes from:
- Both concepts are equally impt.: where does the understanding, the knowing of what is goodness in any situation come from?
- & then: how to do this goodness.
- That is how do I do the goodness of God?
- Answer: by the power & leading of God the Holy Spirit, for goodness is a fruit of Holy Spirit
- Goodness before God from man must come from His Spirit whom He has given us.

- Eph. 2:10 For we believers in Jesus Christ are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus as a New Spiritual Creation for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.
- John 7:12 And there was much grumbling among the multitudes concerning Him; some were saying, "He is a good man"; others were saying, "No, on the contrary, He leads the multitude astray."

- Rom. 15:14 And concerning you, my brethren, I myself also am convinced that you yourselves are full of goodness, what a wonderful thing to be said of us- that we are full of goodness filled with all knowledge, another wonderful thing to be said of us-filled with knowledge and able also to admonish one another.
- What do you desire people to say of you?
- That you are full of goodness & filled with knowledge?
- If others see Spiritual Love in us—they see the love of God
- If others see Spiritual Goodness in us, they see the goodness of God

- Heb. 2:17 Therefore, He Jesus Christ had to be made like His brethren in all things, incarnation that He might become a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, here is what we are to remain faithful to...things pertaining to God & we will as long as we walk in power & leading of Holy Spirit **to make propitiation for the sins of the people.**
- Heb.3:1 Therefore, holy brethren, our position before God **partakers of a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the Apostle and High Priest of our confession.**
- 2 He was faithful to Him God the Father who appointed Him, as Moses also was in all His house.

- If you desire to have Christ formed in you, then
- you will desire to be faithful as He was faithful in power of Holy Spirit.
- & faithfulness is a fruit of Holy Spirit.
- Not of the flesh.

- 2 Cor. 10:1 Now I, Paul, myself urge you by the meekness and gentleness of Christ-
- Christ formed in you
- Eph. 4: 2 with all humility and gentleness, with patience, showing forbearance to one another in love,
- 3 being diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.
- Col. 3:12 & so, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience; all these are of the Holy Spirit

- **Self Control:** not the control of others
- **II.** Control of others is an illusion
- Control of circumstances is an illusion
- But Self control is a gift, given by God through His Spirit
- **III.** John 14:10 Do you not believe that I am in the Father, & the Father is in Me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on My own initiative, but the Father abiding in Me does His works.

- **IV.** Faith **starts** with giving up control!
- Faith **results** in putting God in control
Faith in the Holy Spirit.
- & when God is in control, there is **security!**
- Not in self but in God.
- **V. Acts 24:25 and as he Paul was discussing righteousness, self-control & the judgment to come, Felix became frightened and said, "Go away for the present, and when I find time, I will summon you."**

- James 1:26 If anyone thinks himself to be religious, and yet does not bridle his tongue but deceives his own heart, this man's religion is worthless.
- 1 Cor. 7:5 Stop depriving one another, except by agreement for a time that you may devote yourselves to prayer, and come together again **sexual fulfillment** lest Satan tempt you because of your lack of self-control.

- 22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.
- Combine these with 16 impacts of SL
- Love is longsuffering, love is kind, & is not jealous;
- love does not brag & is not arrogant,
- does not act unbecomingly;
- it does not seek its own,
- is not provoked,
- does not take into account a wrong suffered,
- does not rejoice in unrighteousness,
- but rejoices with the truth;
- bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things,
- endures all things. Love never fails;