

SUNGAI WAY-SUBANG METHODIST CHURCH

# The Fruit of the Spirit



Galatians 5:22-23



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# **Scripture Reading**

**Galatians 5:16-25**  
**(Maya Tai)**





## Galatians 5:16-25

**<sup>16</sup> So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. <sup>17</sup> For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want. <sup>18</sup> But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.**



## Galatians 5:16-25

**<sup>19</sup> The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; <sup>20</sup> idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions <sup>21</sup> and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.**





## Galatians 5:16-25

**<sup>22</sup> But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup> gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. <sup>24</sup> Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. <sup>25</sup> Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.**



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# 3 Questions:

1. What?
2. Why?
3. How?



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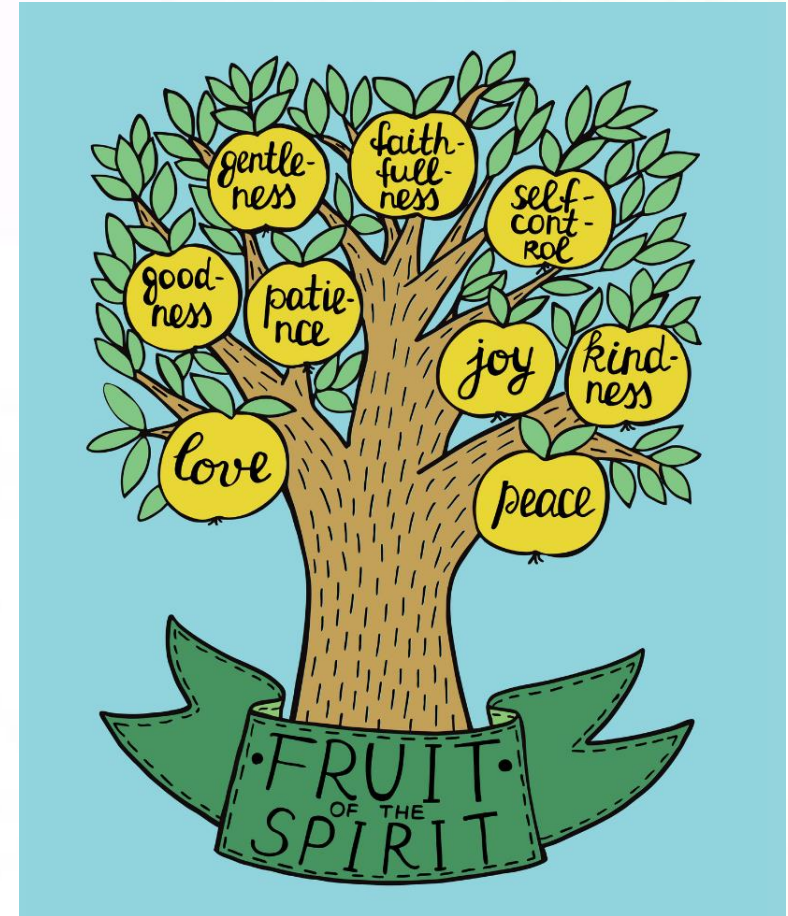
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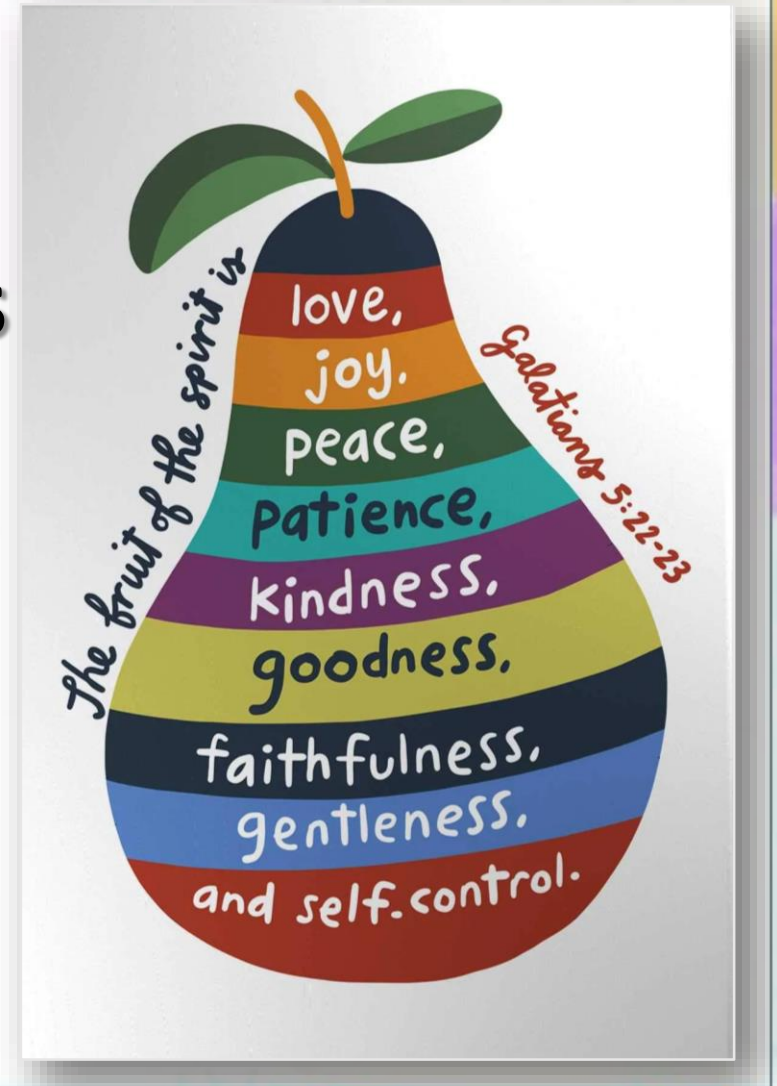
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fruits, but of  
different kinds





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**Goodness**

**Faithfulness**  
**Gentleness**  
**Self-control**



# Question #1: WHAT?

- ONE Fruit
- 9 characters / attributes
- 3 “groups” / “categories”
- In varying degrees
- Source – Holy Spirit

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# Source – Holy Spirit

- Godly attributes
- Characters of Christ

## Question:

- Present in non-Christians?



# Godly Attributes

- All humans are made in the image of God (Gen 1:27)  
→ Godly attributes
  - Non-Christians who are loving, joyful, kind... etc..
- Born sinners (Ps 51:5) → works of the flesh (Gal 5:19-21)
- Constant battle within, for everyone





# The Apostle Paul

## 1. The Murderer / Persecutor

- Stoning of Stephen (Acts 7:54ff)
- Paul approved of their killing Stephen (Acts 8:1)
- Went house to house to put believers in prison (Acts 8:3)
- Went to Damascus with a letter from the high priest... (Acts 9:1-3)





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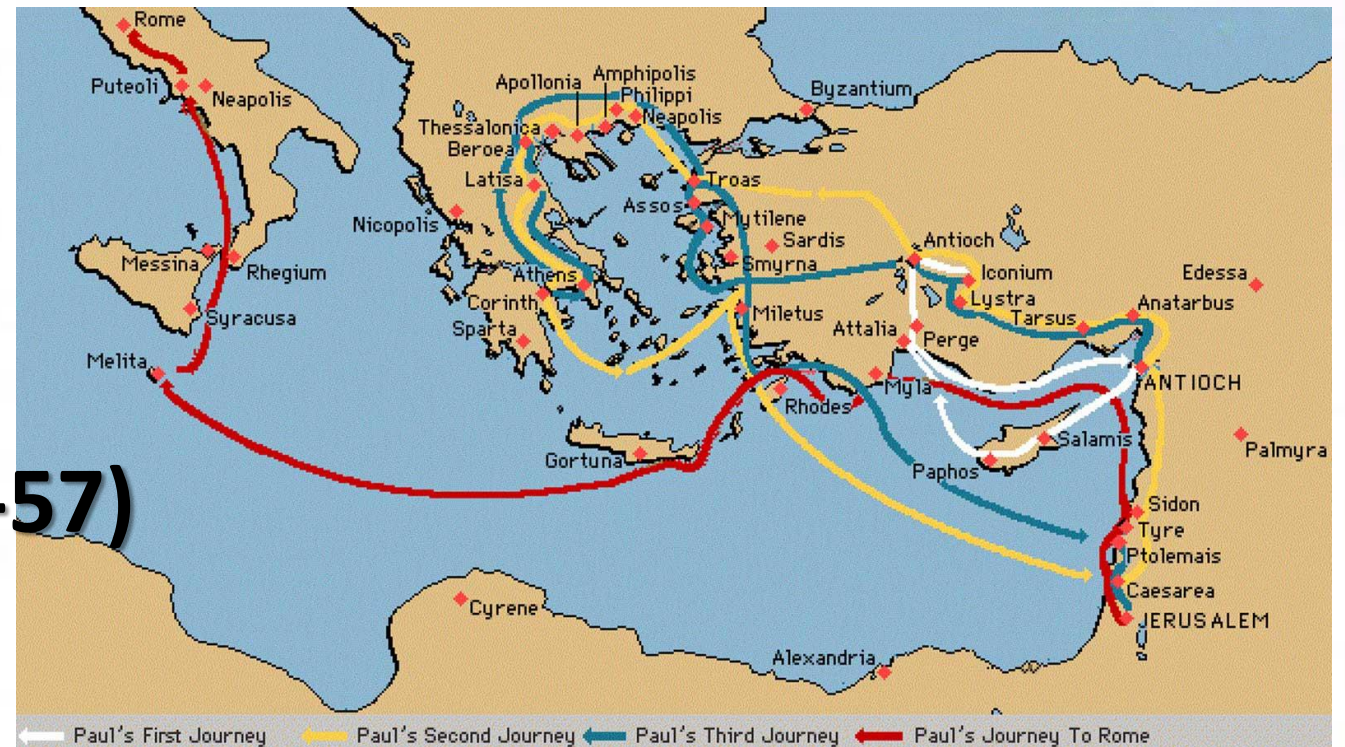
- As Paul came near to Damascus... (Acts 9:3 ff)
- Became a disciple of Jesus Christ
- Went on to become...





# The Apostle Paul

1. The Murderer / Persecutor
2. The Disciple
3. The Missionary
  - 3 missionary journeys
  - 11 years (AD 46-57)



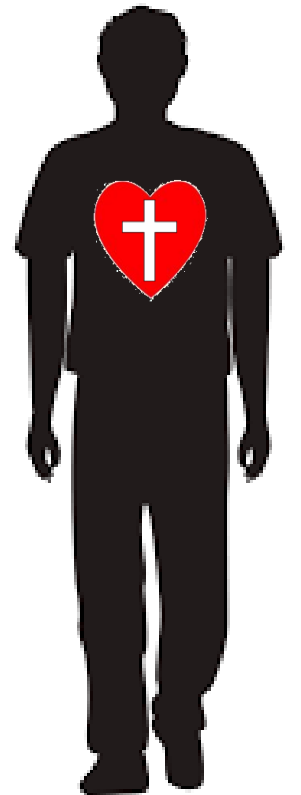
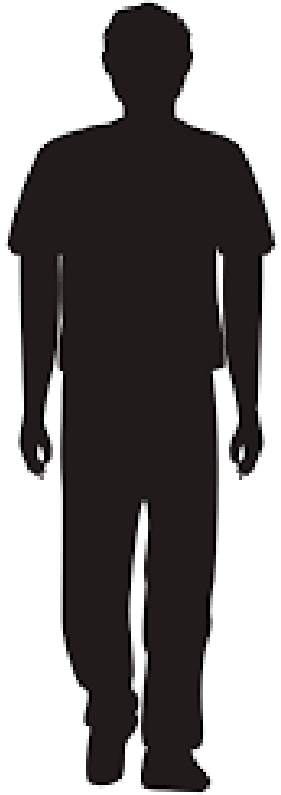


# The Apostle Paul

1. The Murderer / Persecutor
2. The Disciple
3. The Missionary
4. The Writer
  - 13 out of 27 books in the NT

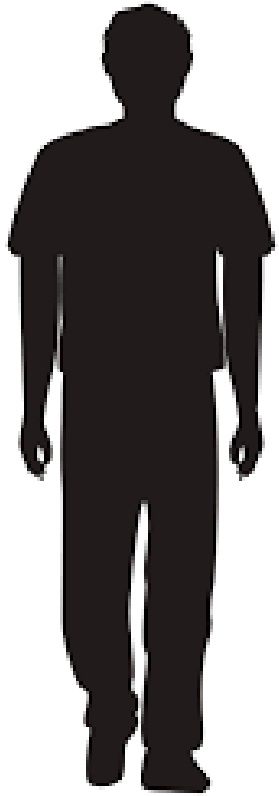






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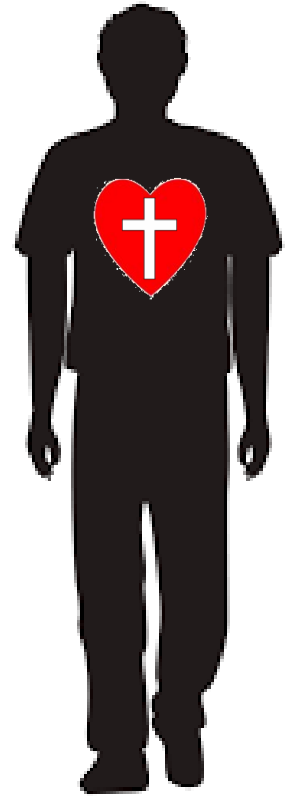
- **Strive on own human strength, will power & effort**
  - **Success (at great cost)**
  - **Not very successful → Frustrated**
- **Succumb**
  - **Seared conscience (1 Tim 4:2)**







- **It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me (Gal 2:20)**
- **The battle within (Rom 7:15-25)**
- **Indwelling of the Holy Spirit**
- **The Holy Spirit bearing fruit in the believer**



# **Question #1: WHAT?**

- 1. One fruit with 9 traits or attributes**
- 2. Result of the Holy Spirit's presence in the life of a believer**
- 3. Every believer receives the Holy Spirit the moment he or she accepts Jesus Christ**
- 4. The Holy Spirit changes our lives to conform us to the image of Christ, making us more like Him.**





# Question #2: WHY?

1. Agents of change... establish God's Kingdom on earth





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## Kingdom of God (KOG) Series

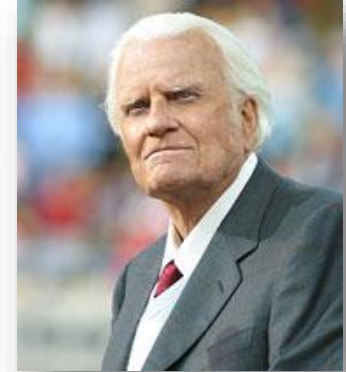
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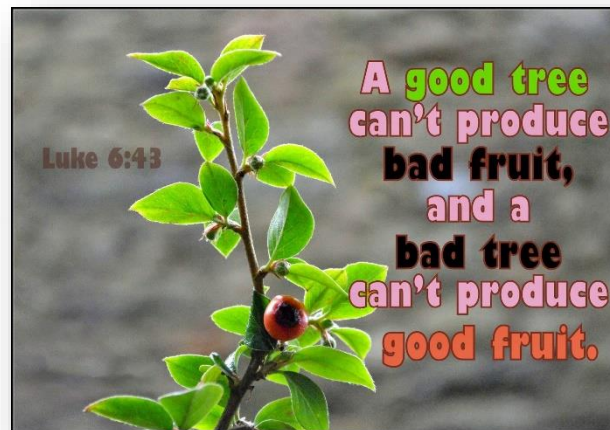
**The Christian needs to walk in peace, so no matter what happens they will be able to bear witness to a watching world.**

*- Henry Blackaby*



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- 4. Progressive (2 Cor 3:18)**
- 5. Draws others to Christ**



# Question #3: HOW?

Walk by the Spirit, and  
you will not gratify the  
desires of the flesh.

GALATIANS 5:16



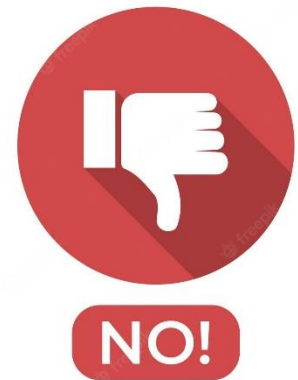


## Walk by the Spirit

- **Judaism / Jewish mind-set:  
Walking: – Behaving / following**
- **Present continuous tense – keep on walking,  
keep on living**
- **Moment by moment following the leading  
of the Holy Spirit (Gal 5:25b – keep in step  
with the Spirit)**



# Question #3: HOW?





## **Some Practical Steps:**

### **1. Developing personal spiritual disciplines**

- **Bible reading + meditation**
- **Prayer**
- **Spend time with God in solitude & quietness**



## **Some Practical Steps:**

- 2. Embrace challenges (suffering) with the right posture (Rom 5:3-5)**
- 3. Not to be self-centred but always be open to opportunity to show kindness & goodness**





## **Some Practical Steps:**

- 4. Seek out opportunities to learn and grow, taking advantage of resources that can help you develop spiritually**
- 5. Live each day with an attitude of thankfulness**



## **Some Practical Steps:**

- 6. Stay in fellowship with faith community**
- 7. Be yielded to the working & correction of the Holy Spirit in your life**





## **Some Practical Steps:**

### **8. Not to gratify the desires of the flesh:**

- **Work against the natural, carnal way to live according to the flesh**
- **Crucify the old nature**



# Testimonies













Candy & Joshua



Kok Moi Ng

**If you have no joy, there's  
a leak in your Christianity  
somewhere.**  
**- Billy Sunday**



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## Response Song

# I Wanna Do Right



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