Patience

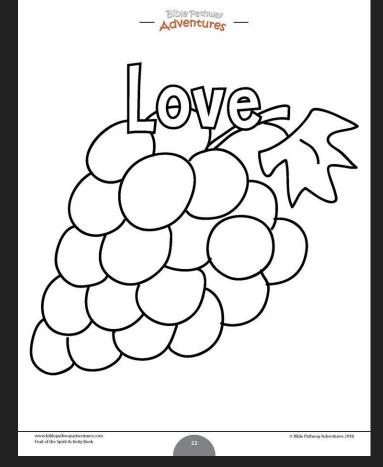
The Fruit of the Spirit Galatians 5:22-23



"All he fruits of the Holy Spirit"



A cluster



Love and its manifestations

Patience in Context

One Fruit vs Many Works (5:19-21)

The jurisdiction of the Law

A Fruit from God

A Fruit that matures

A Complete Fruit

Patience has a Divine Purpose

Definition

Hupomone: Endurance - The quality to stand facing the storm (Barclay).

Patience applied to events

Examples: Our Lord, Joseph, Job, etc.

Makrothymia:

Longsuffering - Withholding our indignation, passion, or anger over time for God's glory.

Patience applied to people

Examples: Our Lord, Moses, David, etc.

Patience is Essential for Divine Relationships

Patience is Divine

Longsuffering

Is willing

Involves waiting

Leads to repentance and forgiveness

Is not depleted

Why should I long suffer others?

God notices

Our witness needs it

God does amazing works

Others have been patient with us

Recommendations and Applications

Put People First

Be Disciplined

Give more than what you take

Pray for those who hate you

Pray for the unsaved

Pray

Forgive and seek forgiveness