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THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

Our theme for Gal.Ch.5 is **Spiritual Freedom** (Gal.5:1, 13).

Based on this theme, we divided chapter 5 into two sections of study.

- (Gal.5:1-2) Spiritual Freedom from Slavery of Law.
- (Gal.5:13-26) Spiritual Freedom from the Slavery of Flesh (OSN).

Then we divided **Spiritual Freedom from Slavery of Flesh** (OSN) into four sections of study.

- (Gal.5:13-15) Deployment (aphorme) of Flesh
- (Gal.5:16-18) Desires (epithumia) of Flesh
- (Gal.5:19-21) Deeds (ergon) of Flesh
- (Gal.5:22-26) Death (stauroo) to Flesh

Today's lesson comes from the section, **Death to Flesh**. We divided this section into two studies.

- (Gal.5:22-23) Fruit (karpos) of Spirit
- (Gal.5:24-26) Fatality (stauroo/ crucified) of Flesh

This lesson will study three aspects of The Fruit of The Spirit.

1. In the section entitled, Spiritual Freedom from Slavery of Flesh (Gal.5:13-26).

Paul contrasted walking by means of the Indwelling Holy Spirit and walking by means of the flesh (OSN). In this section, Paul warned of the danger of walking by flesh in Christian Way of Life (CWL).

Paul said that he had forewarned and is still forewarning the Galatians of the importance of living and walking by means of the Indwelling Holy Spirit (Gal.5:16, 21, 25).

- In (Gal.5:13-15), Paul warned of using spiritual freedom as an opportunity to indulge the flesh resulting in biting, devouring, and consuming others.
- In (Gal.5:16-18), Paul warned of using spiritual freedom for gratifying the desires of the flesh for self pleasure.
- In (Gal.5:19-21), Paul warned of using spiritual freedom for habitual practices or developing life styles out of acceptable cultural fleshly sins.
- In (Gal.5:22-26), Paul warned of importance of using spiritual freedom to crucify the flesh by living and walking by indwelling Holy Spirit.

2. In our lesson text, Paul listed nine (9) Divine Virtues of being heirs of the kingdom of God. They are evidence of living and walking by means of Indwelling Holy Spirit.

(Rom.14:17) "For the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit."

These nine (9) fruit of the Spirit are predicate nominatives. "And **the fruit** (ho karpos/ nominative/ s/m) of the Spirt (tou pneuma/ tou abl/s/n.) [of source] is (eimi) (p.a.ind.3ps).

NOTE: "A predicate nominative is a substantive that completes the predicate and explains or further describes the subject."

3. Each one of the nine fruit of the Indwelling Holy Spirit is a primary Divine Virtue of Spirituality (The Indwelling ministry of the 3rd member of the Godhead.) (2 Cor.6:16-18; Ex.29:42-46; 1 Cor.6:19-20).

Paul used the primary virtue of divine love to teach the secondary divine virtues of the fruit of Spirit in (1 Cor.13:4-8).

In (1 Cor.13:4-8), Paul also explained the difference between spiritual love as a divine virtue of the indwelling Spirit and fleshly love as vice of the OSN.

As YOU read (1 Cor13:4-8), place them where you think they belong. Then we will add more from (Gal.5:13-26) and (Gal.5:13-15).

Spiritual Love (8) (Gal.5:13-26)

Flesh Love (8) (Gal.5:13-15)