SERMON NOTES

Sunday, August 13, 2017

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Today we continue our new series on the *Fruit of the Spirit*. Paul tells us in Galatians 5 that there is fruit produced in the life of a believer. These things reflect the character of Christ flowing through us into the world. When you belong to Jesus these things start showing up in ever-increasing ways.

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"God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8, ESV).

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1. SELF-LOVE IS <u>IMPATIENT</u>.

"The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance" ("2 Peter 3:9, ESV).

2. SELF-LOVE IS <u>MEAN</u>.

"Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you" (Ephesians 4:32, ESV).

3. SELF-LOVE IS <u>ENVIOUS OF SUCCESS</u>.

4. SELF-LOVE <u>BRAGS</u>.

"He must increase but I must decrease!" (John 3:30, ESV).