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The Fruit of the Spirit is Kindness

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We learned about the Love, the Fruit of the Spirit at the beginning of this series. Kindness is love lived out. It is valuing others above ourselves by being friendly, loving, thoughtful, and considerate. Kindness is valuing others above ourselves and looking to the interests of others.

When we are struggling to be kind to another person, we should remember God's great kindness toward us. As sinners, we have offended God. The Bible says that we have even hated Him. So, God had every right to be angry with us, but instead He showed just how great His kindness is by saving us! When we really want to respond to someone with unkindness, think of how God could have punished you for your sin. But instead, in His kindness, He offers everyone here complete forgiveness! Every day we still sin against God, and He continues to be kind to us. Let's show the kindness to others that God has shown to us! This is possible only if we abide in Him, if we get to know Him more and more through praying, learning His Word, and following Him.

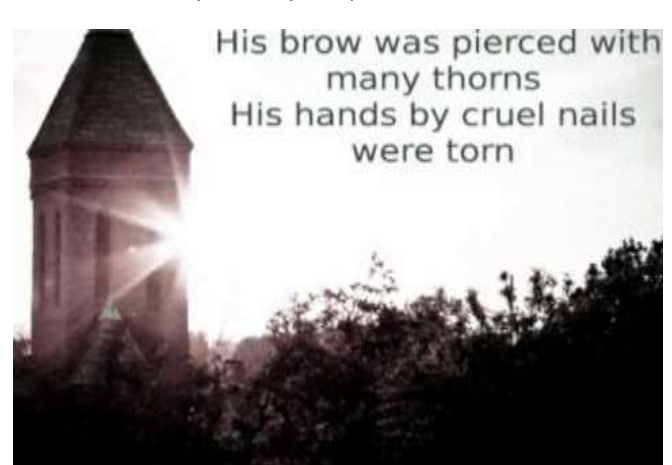
When God produces kindness in our hearts, we begin to see other people as more important than ourselves. Let us remember Christ, who humbled Himself, coming down from the throne, making Himself a weak human in order to save all of mankind. We are to emulate Him! This is the ultimate display of humble kindness, when we do not seek a reward for it.

Worship

Praise Him, Praise Him (with Lyrics)



He lifted me (with Lyrics)





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Bible Passage
Luke 10:25-37



Devotion
Rev. Larry Varghese



Memory Verse
Ephesians 4:32

Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

The Good Samaritan

25 On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

26 "What is written in the Law?" he replied. "How do you read it?" 27 He answered, "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind'[a]; and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'[b]"

28 "You have answered correctly," Jesus replied. "Do this and you will live." 29 But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

30 In reply Jesus said: "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. 31 A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. 32 So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. 33 But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. 34 He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. 35 The next day he took out two denarii[c] and gave them to the innkeeper. 'Look after him,' he said, 'and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.'



36 "Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?"

37 The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him."

Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."



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Video Resources

Use these videos to learn more about this week's theme.

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Prayer

Dear God,

There is no greater kindness than what you showed us by your sacrifice on the cross. Lord, help us by your Spirit to be more like you, showing love and kindness to those around us. We pray for your patience that we can really bring forth the Fruit of the Spirit in our lives. We pray for our friends, parents, teachers, grandparents and our church. We pray that you will keep them safe from all dangers. Heal those who are unwell, comfort those who are grieving and give peace to those who are afraid. Grant us forgiveness by your grace and be with us now and forever more. Amen.

Questions?

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