

Kindness, A Fruit Of The Spirit

"Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up." 1 Corinthians 13:4 (New King James Version)

Galatians 5:22,23 - Kindness is a _____ of the _____.

Kindness As A Trait Of God

A. Kindness as demonstrated by God:

1. Luke 6:35 - God is kind to the _____ and the _____.
2. Romans 2:4 - The _____ (same word in the Greek as for "kindness") can lead people to _____.
3. Titus 3:4-6 - God's kindness and _____ appeared to _____ by _____ us, and by _____ out the _____ upon us.
4. 1 Peter 2:1-3 - When people _____ that God is _____ they will _____ the _____ milk of the _____.

B. Matthew 11:30 - Jesus' _____ is _____ (from the same word as for "kindness"). As we _____ in this life, we'll know that our _____ has been fashioned by our Lord.

Kindness As A Fruit To Be Cultivated By Christians

A. 1 Corinthians 13:4 - Love, the _____ of the spiritual _____, is characterized by _____.

B. Other exhortations to cultivate kindness:

1. Ephesians 4:31,32 - The world teaches us _____, _____, _____, etc. In Christ we are to be kind to _____.
 2. Romans 3:12 - There is _____ who does _____, no not _____.
 3. Colossians 3:12 - Among the traits we are to put _____ is _____.
 4. 2 Samuel 9:1 - _____ wanted to show kindness to someone in _____'s family.
 5. Acts 16:33 - Before being _____, the _____ took the time to _____ the _____ of Paul and Silas.
- C. Twain: "Kindness is the _____ which the _____ can _____ and the _____ can _____."

Acts 28:2,3 - The _____ showed _____ kindness by building a _____. _____ helped to keep the kindness going.

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