

Fruit of the Spirit (Part-01) - Love

(Galatians 5:22-23)

I. Fruit of the Spirit

(a). Teacher illustratively *explains about the fruit of the Spirit to the children in interesting and attractive ways*

(b). Ask the children to mention the "nine types" of the fruit of the Spirit.

(c). The first type of the fruit of the Spirit is LOVE. What is love? 1 Corinthians 13:4-7

(d). Teacher tells a story about "A little girl was decorating a box with a gold wrapping paper":
A little girl was decorating a box with a gold wrapping paper to put it under the Christmas tree. Money was tight, so the girl's father punished her for wasting almost all roll of that expensive paper.

However, the next morning the girl brought the gift to her father. „This is for you, Daddy” - she said. He opened a box and found it empty, so he became angry again. „Don't you know, that when you give someone a gift, it is supposed that there would be something inside it” - he said severely.

The little girl looked at her father with tears in her eyes. „Daddy, this box is not empty, I filled it with my kisses, all for you“.

The father was stunned. He felt so embarrassed that could just put his arms around his little daughter and beg for her forgiveness.

For many years of his life the man kept that golden box near his bed. Wherever he felt sad and downhearted he opened the box and thought of love that the little child had put into it.

Each of us have been given a present of unconditional love from our children, family, friends and God. It is the most precious possession that anyone could hold.

II. Living in LOVE

(1). Love: The Greatest Commandment of God

* Teacher mentions the first and second greatest commandments that are written in Mat. 22:37-42

* Applications:

(i). Love Your God Wholeheartedly

* *Always offer the best of your life to God (ie. perform well manners, best achievements (academic, music, sport, etc) that my give glory to God, always offer the best for anything that God asks from you*

* *Provide times for prayer, church, serving God*

* *Always ready to carry out God's will and commandments*

 Teacher's testimony on practising this first greatest commandment in their life and how does it impact their life?

(ii). Love Others As You Love Yourselfes

* *Before you Love others, you need to Learn how to Love self (Have you taken good care of yourself? ie: eating & sleeping habits - sound and healthy friendship 1 Cor. 15:33 - well spiritual nourishment? - Do you believe that you are special in God's eyes?*

* *You may start the practice of Loving others from within your family members such as parents and siblings*

 Ask the children how do they practise their Love to their parents and siblings?

* *Teacher gives several examples of loving others: being helpful, being kind and nice to others, stay away from querelling, treat others nicely (ie do not bully others, do not offend others, stop using derogatory words, etc)*

 Teacher's testimony on practising the Love to others - What was the direct impact to them?

III. Class Creativity