

Proof of the Holy Spirit: Thankfulness

COLOSSIANS 2:6-7 NLT And now, just as you accepted Christ Jesus as your Lord, you must continue to follow him. ⁽⁷⁾ Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness.

1 THESSALONIANS 5:18 NLT Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus.

COLOSSIANS 3:15-16 NLT And let the peace that comes from Christ rule in your hearts. For as members of one body you are called to live in peace. And always be thankful. ⁽¹⁶⁾ Let the message about Christ, in all its richness, fill your lives. Teach and counsel each other with all the wisdom he gives. Sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs to God with thankful hearts.

Proof of the Holy Spirit: Love

EPHESIANS 5:2 NLT Live a life filled with love, following the example of Christ. He loved us and offered himself as a sacrifice for us, a pleasing aroma to God.

1 JOHN 3:23-24 NLT And this is his commandment: We must believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another, just as he commanded us. ⁽²⁴⁾ Those who obey God's commandments remain in fellowship with him, and he with them. And we know he lives in us because the Spirit he gave us lives in us.

Proof of the Holy Spirit: Fruit

GALATIANS 5:22-23 NLT But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ⁽²³⁾ gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things!

JOHN 15:4-5 NLT "Remain in me, and I will remain in you. For a branch cannot produce fruit if it is severed from the vine, and you cannot be fruitful unless you remain in me. ⁽⁵⁾ Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing."

JOHN 15:8 NLT "When you produce much fruit, you are my true disciples. This brings great glory to my Father."

Empowered Discussion:

1. How often do you evaluate your spiritual condition?
2. How would your lifestyle change if you were living a life of sacrificial action?
3. What kind of fruit would you bear if you were consistently abiding in Christ?

Power Up:

Be willing to say YES to the Holy Spirit, daily!
Take action on the promptings of the Holy Spirit!