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## THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT: WHAT IS PATIENCE?

#### **BY KELLY WISE VADES**

(CONTRIBUTED BY PASTOR MOBY NOAH)

Galatians 5:22-23 tells us, "The Spirit produces love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, humility and self-control." You may have heard about the fruit of the Spirit and wondered what it is and how it relates to our Christian faith.

In this series, each fruit will be explored and related to our everyday lives. Just like physical fruit need time to grow, the fruit of the Spirit will not ripen in our lives overnight. As we mature in our faith, all the characteristics of our spiritual fruits will grow as well.

The fourth fruit of the Spirit is patience. The word 'patience' is mentioned in Scripture nearly 70 times. But, really, who has time for patience? All of us have been told at some point in our lives to just be patient. In our age of instant gratification, nobody enjoys patiently waiting.

For most people, patience can be difficult in certain circumstances. Whether it's waiting in a doctor's office past your appointment time, sitting in traffic, or trying to get the kids to do their chores, patience is sometimes hard to come by.

During these recent times, our days can be long, hard and incredibly stressful. When we're exhausted or worried, finding patience is probably the last thing on our minds, but it should really be the first. We are told in Psalm 37:7, "Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for Him."

#### **OUR ONE FIRM FOUNDATION FOR 2021**

How do we develop patience? How can we cultivate patience in relationships with our loved ones? Patience is waiting with grace and it's what enables us to live in this demanding world and still have love, joy and peace, and all the other fruits of the Spirit. But, patience is much easier said than done, right? Waiting with patience is difficult, and God knows this. The good news is that you don't have to wait alone.

Romans 8:26 says, "But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently. In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans."

Ask God for the patience that you need to get you through all the struggles, pain and trials, and may you be like Jesus more and more as He fills you with His love.

CHURCH UPDATE- FEBRUARY 7TH WEBINAR



A gentle reminder to prepare communion element to partake together on Sunday, 7 February at the end of 8.45am service only.



## IS THE GOSPEL Too western For the Chinese?

with I'Ching Thomas

7 FEBRUARY 2021 2:00 PM TO 3:30 PM

ON ZOOM Meeting ID: 849 0529 3765 Passcode: FBCMission

Is the Gospel really too Western for the Chinese? Let's be equipped to have gospel centred conversations with unbelieving family and friends. Tune in to our webinar to hear from I'Ching Chan Thomas an Apologist, Christian Leader, and author of the book "Jesus: the Path to Human Flourishing" which explores the commonalities between the Gospel and Confucius' ideal of human flourishing.

Don't miss out! Brought to you by the FBC Mission Working Group. The Gospel Unleashed.

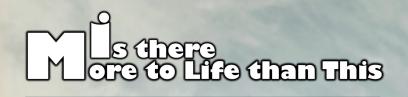
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#### CHURCH UPDATE- ALPHA 19



ALPHA is a series of sessions exploring the meaning of life. It is a place where you can ask all the big questions, share what you think and hear what other participants have to say.

We meet online every Wednesday from 8:00pm to 9:30pm, exploring answers to key questions of life through discussions and building of relationships.

**ALPHA 19 ONLINE PROGRAM** is ongoing from 6<sup>th</sup> Jan to 7<sup>th</sup> Apr 2021, every Wednesday from 8:00pm to 9:30pm. Visit FBC website <u>https://fbc.com.my/alpha/</u> for more information and lookout for the next intake.



Saturday - Thursday 9:00pm

Meeting ID: 929-735-694 Password : pray (Effective 5 October)

God has gifted us with various platforms to use and stay connected in the times of RMCO and we want to use it to honour God through the Zoom Daily Prayer Meeting.

It's through this virtual meeting that we fellowship, get connected with one another, go through prayer points and pray together.

We want to invite you to join us every night (Saturday – Thursday) at 9.00 pm on Zoom:

Zoom Meeting ID: 929-735-694 | Password: pray

# Worship With Us Online

Sunday 8:45am Visit <u>www.fbc.com.my</u> First Baptist Church Subang A gentle reminder to prepare communion element to partake together on Sunday, 7 February at the end of 8.45am service only.

#### CHURCH UPDATE- ONLINE PULPIT (FEB 2021)



February 7th Sermon Topic: The Norms of the Kingdom: Poor in Spirit and Mournful Scripture: Matthew 5:1-4 Preacher: Dr. Peter Ng

February 14th Sermon Topic: The Norms of the Kingdom: Merciful and Pure Scripture: Matthew 5:7-8 Preacher: Samuel Khew



February 21st Sermon Topic: The Norms of the Kingdom: Peacemakers and Persecuted Scripture: Matthew 5:9-12 Preacher: Joash Chan

February 28th Sermon Topic: The Norms of the Kingdom: Meek and Hungry Scripture: Matthew 5:5-6 Preacher: Alex Tan

## CHURCH ONLINE

For church services & sermons, please visit our website: <u>www.fbc.com.my</u>.

## **ONLINE OFFERING:**

FBC(E) Worshippers are now able to give their tithes and offerings using their Bank's online banking or mobile banking application by using the Duitnow feature offered by the Banks.

DuitNowID: BT76.





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