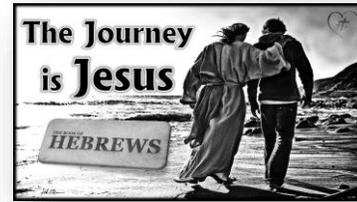




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“GROWING UP!”
Part 3 – Produces Spiritual Fruit
HEBREWS 6:4-8

Spiritual Maturity...

1. **TRAINS** for **SPIRITUAL FITNESS** 5:11-14
2. **BUILDS** on **SPIRITUAL FUNDAMENTALS** 6:1-3
3. **PRODUCES SPIRITUAL FRUIT** 6:4-8

1st Three Warnings: “*Drifters*,” “*Unbelief*,” “_____”

- **The Problem** – vs.s. 4-6, LUKE 8:13
- **The Solution**- vs.s. 7, 8; LUKE 8:14, 15

Spiritual Maturity Produces...

1. _____ **FAITH** ⁶ who then turn away from God.
HEBREWS 10:35, 36; MATTHEW 24:13; 1 TIMOTHY 4:1

Persevere → “to remain _____”

2. _____ **FAITH** ⁷ bears a good crop for the farmer,

Signs of a Productive Faith (Spiritual Fruit)

- **The Fruit of the** _____ GALATIANS 5:22, 23
- **The Fruit of** _____ HEBREWS 13:15
- **The Fruit of** _____ JOHN 15:7
- **The Fruit of the** _____ COLOSSIANS 1:6
- **The Fruit of** _____ ROMANS 15:26-28
- **The Fruit of Good** _____ COLOSSIANS 1:10
- **The Fruit that** _____ JOHN 15:16

Sources of a Productive Faith MATTHEW 12:23

- _____ about **JESUS** JOHN 15:5
- _____ the **SCRIPTURES** LUKE 8:15

FOOD for THOUGHT
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GETTING STARTED *“In your opinion...”*

1. Last Sunday we concluded a three part message on **“Growing Up”** focusing on the fact that spiritual maturity produces Spiritual Fruit. Was there anything from the sermon that was helpful, eye-opening, troubling, or confusing?
2. What does fruit (or fruitlessness) indicate about the life and health of a fruit tree? Is it a fair comparison to use fruitfulness as an indicator for the life and health of a Christian? Explain.
3. Statistics indicate church attendance for the average Christian in our culture is about once a month, sometimes twice a month. What is the difference between measuring our spiritual health by church attendance and measuring it by spiritual fruit?
4. What causes people to **fall away** from faith in Jesus? With all that has been discussed about fruitfulness, what could be the common root causes?

GOING DEEPER *“According to the Bible...”*

Answer the following questions from what the Bible says in the suggested reading

- **Read the list of Spiritual Fruit in the Sermon Notes on the other side of these notes. What questions do you have about any of these activities described as “fruit”?**
- **Read John 15:1-8. What are the similarities and differences between being “cut off” and being “pruned”? What does it mean to “remain” in Jesus? What results when we lose sight of Jesus in our life (vs. 5)?**
- **Read Mark 4:1-20. What question does Jesus ask in verse 13 regarding this parable and what does this say about the importance of understanding this parable?**
 - **Of the four soils, how many actually produce something useful?**
 - **What is the difference between that soil and the others?**

LIVING OUT

- **Spiritual fruit happens by abiding in Jesus and obeying the Scriptures. How can you improve these activities in your life?**