

WHISPERS OF GOD

about our single
focal point . . .

Abiding in Christ to bear much fruit . . .

I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing. John 15:5

To the degree your life is filled with the fruit below, that's the degree you are abiding in Christ!

First wave
of fruit is a
**4-fold
Lifestyle**

1 Peter 4:7-11

The end of all things is near; therefore, be of sound judgment and sober spirit for the purpose of prayer. 8 Above all, keep fervent in your love for one another, because love covers a multitude of sins. 9 Be hospitable to one another without complaint. 10 As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. 11 Whoever speaks, is to do so as one who is speaking the utterances of God; (1 Peter 4:7-11)

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PRAYING WITHOUT CEASING

*Be of sound judgment
... for the purpose of
prayer. 1 Peter 4:7
Pray without ceasing
... for this is the will of
God. 1 Thess. 4:17*

Many waves
of fruit follow:

PRAYING LIKE JESUS...

- A. Daily...** In the early morning dark, Jesus got up and prayed. Mark 1:35
- B. Humbly...** I am gentle and humble in heart (and yoke). Matthew 11:28
- C. Honestly...** In anguish in Gethsemane. Matt. 26:36ff
- D. Thankfully...** But with prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God. Philippians 4:6

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LOVING ABOVE ALL ELSE

*Above all,
keep fervent in your
love for one another.
Be hospitable . . .
without complaint.
1 Peter 4:8-9*

LOVING LIKE JESUS...

- A. Deeply...** He is patient, kind, trusting, humble, gracious, sacrificial, peaceful, forgiving, truthful, enduring, and loyal. 1 Corinthians 13:4-8
- B. Warmly...** Fruit of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Gal. 5:22-23
- C. Strongly...** Nothing can separate us from His love. Romans 8:38-39

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SERVING OTHERS HUMBLY

*As each one
has received a
special gift, employ
it in serving
one another
1 Peter 4:10*

SERVING LIKE JESUS...

- A. Uniqueness...** With His gifts that differ according to the grace given us. Romans 12:3-6
- B. Giftedness...** In varied measures of prophecy, teaching, exhortation, admin., serving, giving, and mercy. Rom. 12:6-8
- C. Callings ...** For I know the plans that I have for you... and a hope. Jeremiah 29:11

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SPEAKING TRUTH IN LOVE

*Whoever speaks,
is to do so as one
who is speaking
the utterances
of God.
1 Peter 4:11*

SPEAKING LIKE JESUS...

- A. With Love...** Speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him. Ephesians 4:15
- B. As Bondservants...** Kind to all; Able to teach; Patient when wronged; Gently correcting; Letting God grant repentance; Leading to Truth; Restoring our senses; Releasing from bondage; Rescuing from Satan. 2 Tim. 2:24-26