

ULaity Missionary Baptist Church's "ZOOM" Bible Study Class

June 26, 2021

1:00 p.m.

Topic: The Fruits of Righteousness

Opening Holy Scripture/Verses from New Testament:

Philippians 1:9-11: And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment, 10 that you may approve the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and without offense till the day of Christ, 11 being filled with the fruits of righteousness which are by Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

Questions To Consider:

- 1.) What are the fruits of righteousness? (Philippians 1:11)
- 2.) Do we, as human beings, have the capacity to produce the "fruits of righteousness", apart from the LORD God Almighty, the Lord Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit?  
Can you and I bear "righteous fruits" without Our Savior Jesus Christ?
- 3.) If an individual does not bear the "fruits" the LORD God Almighty is pleased with, what happens to him or her?
- 4.) What Holy Scriptures specifically share with Biblical readers/listeners how a Christian should think, and what that Christian should do (attitudes and actions) in regard to producing and displaying the "fruits of righteousness"?
- 5.) How are the "fruits of righteousness" beneficial to others as well as ourselves?
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*The Lord Jesus Christ IS our righteousness. We can do nothing without Him.*

*We CANNOT please the LORD GOD Almighty without Christ Jesus IN our lives.*

*Unrighteous people cannot produce the fruits of righteousness. The LORD God Almighty determines what is "righteous" and what is "unrighteous".*

John 15: 1-8: "I am the true Vine, and My Father is the vinedresser.

2 Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit He takes away, and every branch that bears fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit.

3 You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you.

4 Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me.

5 I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit, for without Me you can do nothing.

6 If anyone does not abide in Me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered; and they gather them and throw them into the fire, and they are burned.

7 If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you.

8. By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so that you will be My disciples.

**Romans 3:10-12:** As it is written: There is none righteous, no, not one. 11 There is none who understands; There is none who seeks after God. 12 They have all turned aside; They have together become unprofitable; There is none who does good, no, not one.”

**I Corinthians 1:30-31:** But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God---and righteousness and sanctification and redemption---31 that, as it is written, “He who glories, let him glory in the LORD.”

**II Corinthians 5:20-21:** Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ’s behalf, be reconciled to God. 21 For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

*Look at the Lord Jesus Christ Our Savior. He IS our righteousness!!! There are qualities/character traits/attributes you and I should “genuinely display”, that proves Christ Jesus resides in our hearts and minds. (The EVIDENCE should be EVIDENT; people should see the “evidence” of Christ Jesus continuously living IN us.)*

**Philippians 3:8-9:** Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ 9 and be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which is from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is from God by faith,

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**Galatians 5:22-24:** But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control, Against such there is no law. 24 And those who are Christ’s have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

**James 3:17-18:** But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy.  
18 Now the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

**Colossians 3:12- 15:** Therefore as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; 13 bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaints against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do. But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful.

**Romans 5:3-5:** And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; and perseverance, character; and character, hope. Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

*Listed below are just a few examples of “specific Holy Scriptures”, that give examples of Galatians 5:22-23:*

**Philippians 2:5:** Let this mind be in your which was also in Christ Jesus.

**James 1:21** Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

**I John 2:3-5:** Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments.  
4 He who says, “I know Him,” and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. 5 But whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God is perfected in him. By this we know that we are in Him.

**II Corinthians 7:10-11:** For godly sorrow produces repentance leading to salvation, not to be regretted; but the sorrow of the world produces death. 11 For observe this very thing, that you sorrowed in a godly manner; What diligence it produced in you, what clearing of yourselves, what indignation, what fear, what vehement desire, what zeal, what vindication!

**Galatians 5:14:** For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”

**I Corinthians 16:4:** Let all that you do be done with love.

**Philippians 2:3-4:** Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.

**Galatians 6:1-2:** Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted. 2 Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

**Romans 15:1-3:** We then who are strong ought to hear with the scruples of the weak, and not to please ourselves. 2 Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, leading to edification. 3 For even Christ did not please Himself, but as it is written, "The reproaches of those who reproached You fell on Me."

**II Corinthians 9:5-9:** Therefore I thought it necessary to exhort the brethren to go to you ahead of time, and prepare your generous gift beforehand, which you had previously promised, that it may be ready as a matter of generosity and not as a grudging obligation. 6 But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. 7 So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver.

**Titus 3:1-2:** Remind them to be subject to rulers and authorities, to obey, to be ready for every good work, to speak evil of no one, to be peaceable, gentle, showing all humility to all men.

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**II Corinthians 13:5:** Examine yourselves as to whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Do you not know yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you?---unless indeed you are disqualified.

*What are the benefits of producing the "fruits of righteousness"? Obedience to the LORD God,---- doing what is pleasing to Him; salvation for others and ourselves; /an eternal, beautiful destination for others and ourselves; on Earth---- making a "positive impact" on the lives of others; people "glorifying" the LORD God for HIS GOOD WORKS in your and their lives; and the process of producing "fruits of righteousness" grows-----expands----reproduces over and over and over again.*

**Galatians 6:9-10:** And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. 10 Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.