Produce good fruit. Luke 3:9 (New International Version)

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9 The axe is already at the root of the trees, and every tree that does not produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire."

The person who said these words was John the Baptist. God sent John to prepare the way for Jesus. John baptized people with water. Baptism is a sign that someone's sin has been washed away and that you are dedicating yourself to the Lord. It was also a sign that you have repented and will try not to sin anymore. John says in the passage that every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down. Of course, the fruits to which John refers are the words and deeds of men. Not only your words and deeds but also what you think.

John explains in the passage that if you do not bear the good fruits of your repentance, you will be cut down like a fruitless tree.

The people ask John what to do.

John answered the people that if they had extra food and clothing, they should give it to those who did not. We must therefore care for our neighbour and love our neighbour.

John told the tax collectors that they should not collect more taxes than they should. The meaning for us is that we have to be honest.

John told them not to accuse people falsely and to be content with their salary for the soldiers. The meaning for us is that we must be satisfied with what we have.

The fruit of the Spirit

Galatians 5:22-23 RSV But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such there is no law.

These are the fruits that Jesus wants us to bear. All these fruits of the Spirit suggest that we should love our neighbour as ourselves.

Go today and look for someone in need to help.

Prayer

Thank you, Heavenly Father, for taking very good care of us. Please help us to love You every day. Please help us to love our neighbour more and more. Show us where we can help our neighbours. Please help us to bear the fruit of love.

Amen

<u>Dra goeie vrugte</u> **<u>LUKAS 3:9 NLV</u>**

Lees

LUKAS 3:9 NLV [3]Die byl van God se oordeel is reeds gereed om julle wortels af te kap. Ja, elke boom wat nie goeie vrugte dra nie, sal afgekap en in die vuur gegooi word."

Die persoon wat hierdie woorde gesê het was Johannes die doper. God het Johannes gestuur om die weg vir Jesus voor te berei. Johannes het mense met water gedoop. Die doop is 'n teken dat iemand se sonde afgewas is, en dat jy jouself aan die Here toewy. Dit was dus ook 'n teken dat jy jou bekeer het en sal probeer om nie meer sonde te doen nie. Johannes sê in die gedeelte dat elke boom wat nie goeie vrugte dra nie afgekap sal word. Die vrugte waarna Johannes verwys is natuurlik die woorde en dade van mense. Nie net jou woorde en dade nie maar ook wat jy dink.

Johannes verduidelik in die gedeelte dat as jy nie die goeie vrugte van jou bekering dra nie, jy soos 'n boom wat nie vrugte dra nie, afgekap sal word.

Die mense vra Johannes wat hulle moet doen.

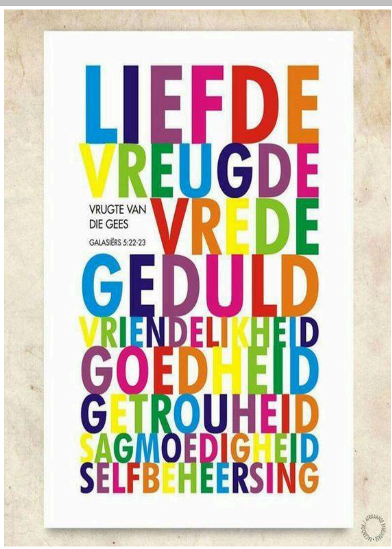
Johannes het die mense geantwoord dat indien jy ekstra kos en klere het, moet jy dit vir die mense gegee wat nie het nie. Ons moet dus vir ons naaste omgee en ons naaste liefhê.

Johannes het vir die belastinggaarders gesê dat hulle nie meer belasting moet invorder as wat hulle moes nie. Die betekenis vir ons is dat ons eerlik moet wees.

Vir die soldate het Johannes gesê dat hulle nie mense moet vals beskuldig nie, en tevrede moet wees met hulle salaris. Die betekenis vir ons is dat ons tevrede moet wees met wat ons het.

Die vrug van die gees

GALASIËRS 5:22-23 AFR83 Die vrug van die Gees, daarteenoor, is liefde, vreugde, vrede, geduld, vriendelikheid, goedhartigheid, getrouheid, nederigheid en selfbeheersing. Teen sulke dinge het die wet niks nie.



Hierdie is die vrugte wat Jesus wil hê dat ons moet dra. Al hierdie vrugte van die gees dui daarop dat ons ons naaste moet liefhê soos onsself.

Gaan vandag en soek iemand in nood om te help.

Gebed

Baie dankie Hemelse Vader dat U baie goed vir ons sorg. Help ons asseblief dat ons elke dag vir U liewer sal word. Help ons asseblief dat ons ons naaste meer en meer sal liefhê. Wys vir ons waar ons, ons naaste kan help. Help ons asseblief dat ons die vrugte van liefde sal dra.

Amen

Honesty
1. Being truthful to others
2. Being truthful to yourself
3. Doing what's right regardless of who's around
4. Being someone others can trust

VERY Hungry
PLEASE

FOOD BANK

Gentleness
Kindness
Love
Patience
Self-Control
Faithfulness
Generosity
Joy
love
pat-
ience
self-
control
Galatians5:22

Thank You, LORD!

Thank
you