



# STEP INTO A NEW DAY Intimacy With God

## Day Four... continued

### The Impact Of Intimacy with God - continued

#### Kindness

This fruit of the Spirit is a natural result of love. Our close connection with God begins to develop a deep sense of love in our hearts. In turn, we treat others with kindness, compassion and forgiveness. In fact, once the foundational fruit of love is has taken hold of our life, not only kindness but also gentleness, forbearance, goodness and other attributes listed in Galatians 5 will naturally follow.

#### Goodness

This fruit of the Spirit is an outward expression of our inward connection to God . It's the outworking of solid ethics, morals and motives as well as blessing others. The fruit of goodness is a true mark of godliness. It also has an attractive power and draws people to Jesus through selflessness.

#### Faithfulness

Trustworthy, loyal, constant, dependable are all words that describe faithfulness. The fruit of faithfulness typifies the Lord, therefore, through close connection we too will naturally develop these wonderful, ultra - powerful attributes.

#### Gentleness

The ways to which we engage with others is what the fruit of gentleness is all about. Especially in tense moments, when discouraging or unkind words are the typical knee jerk response.

### Self Control

In Galatians 5:22-23, The Apostle Paul concludes his list of fruit of the Spirit with self-control. Due to the human condition, we can all be susceptible to negative impulses and qualities. Deep, intimate, connection with God develops the power of God to identify and overcome areas of weakness.

### **Scripture Meditation**

*Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me. Revelation 3:20*