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Wednesday, August 05, 2020 - Group Study

Lesson Series: Fruit Of The Spirit

Lesson Series Text: *(Gal. 5:13-26)*

Lesson 4: Longsuffering Gentleness Goodness

Lesson 4 Text: *(2 Cor. 6:1-10 AMPC)*

All Scriptures are KJV; unless otherwise noted.

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Longsuffering (Patience)

- I. Patience is the quality that does not surrender to circumstances and doesn't quit under trials.
 - A. It speaks of steadfastness of soul under provocation. *(Luke 21:19 AMPC, NLT)*
 - B. It keeps us steady under pressure. *(Rom. 5:3 AMPC)*
 - C. It keeps us from quitting. *(Rom. 15:4 AMPC)*
 - D. It causes us to inherit the promises. *(Heb. 6:12; 10:36)*
 - E. Patience is love on trial.
- II. When we decide that we have had enough in a given situation and our emotions begins to take over; patience has been abandoned.
 - A. When you run out of patience; you will run out of love; then you will run out of faith. *(Jam. 1:2-4 AMPC)*
- III. Time must be spent in God's presence to keep patience strengthen.
 - A. In His presence, we are made to rest and recover; even while our enemies are attacking. *(Psa. 16:11; 23:5; 31:20)*
- IV. Take opportunities to practice your patience.
 - A. While driving, standing in long lines, being delayed, being evil spoken of.

Gentleness (Kindness)

- I. Kindness is a quality of grace that pervades and penetrates the whole nature; mellowing in it all that is harsh and austere.
 - A. The quality, state, or habit of being kind.
 - B. Sympathetic, friendly, gentle, tenderhearted, generous, well disposition, friendly, or affectionate.
 - C. Expressing itself in deeds, in grace and compassion, sweetness of disposition, gentleness in dealing with others. *(Psa. 117:2; Isa. 54:8-10)*
 - D. The ability to act for the welfare of those taxing your patience. *(2 Cor. 6:4-6)*
 - E. The Holy Spirit working in us, removes the abrasive quality, as we yield to His control.
 - F. Show genuine affection for each other. *(Rom. 12:10 NKJV)*

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Goodness

- I. Goodness is that quality in a person, that aims at what is good: namely that which is of moral worth.
 - A. The state of quality of being good: virtue, excellence, kindness, or benevolence.
- II. The way to understand goodness is to study the goodness of God and imitate Him. (*Eph. 5:1 AMPC*)
 - A. Abundant in goodness. (*Exo. 33:18-19; 34:6-7*)
 - B. Good to all. (*Psa. 145:8-9*)
 - C. God does good. (*Acts 14:17*)
 - D. Jesus went about doing good. (*Acts 10:38*)
 - E. Jesus represented the father. (*John 5:19; Heb. 1:3*)
 - F. Good will toward men. (*Luke 2:14*)
- III. God gave us His word in order that good may come to us.
 - A. For our good to preserve us. (*Deu. 6:24*)
 - B. That it might be well with us. (*Deu. 5:29; 33*)
- IV. God has good will toward all men.
 - A. As His representative, we should have good will toward all men.

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