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FRUIT

SPIRIT

LOVE

JOY

PEACE

PATIENCE

KINDNESS

GOODNESS

FAITHFULNESS

GENTLENESS

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Kingdom Life Lesson 17:

The Fruit of the Spirit

Today's Story:

We have learned about the 10 Commandments, and how they are all about loving God and loving others. Today our lesson is about **the Fruit of the Spirit**, which is also about loving God and loving others.

Jesus used the grapevine as a picture of himself. Jesus said: "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you stay joined to me, and I stay joined to you, then you will produce lots of fruit. But you cannot do anything without me."

Jesus is like the **grapevine**, and we, his **followers** are like the **branches**. And we produce fruit. The Bible calls this the **Fruit of the Spirit**.

The Fruit of the Spirit is: LOVE, JOY, PEACE, PATIENCE, KINDNESS, GOODNESS, FAITHFULNESS, GENTLENESS and SELF-CONTROL. Jesus showed all of these qualities in his own life. This is what becoming more like Jesus looks like.

How wonderful the Fruit of the Spirit is! But we can only produce this fruit when we stay connected to Jesus. That's because life comes into the branches through the vine. **The Fruit of the Spirit** comes from God's Spirit, **God's new life within us**.

God doesn't just want us to follow good rules. God wants our **hearts** to be **changed** by his love, so we can become more and more like Jesus. Our hearts are changed through the power of the Holy Spirit as we follow, love, and obey Jesus. Then we can bring more of **his life** to the world that he loves.

Bible Memory Verse: *"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law." Galatians 5:22-23 ESV*

My Art Response:

