

Living a Fruitful Life: Kindness

Galatians 5:22-23

Main Point:

Show the same kindness to all people that God has shown to you in Christ.

1. Kindness is the sincere desire for the well-being of all people.

2. Kindness always leads to action for the sake of all people.

3. Kindness should be your glad response to the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Titus 3:3-6 ³ For we ourselves were also once foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving various lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful and hating one another. ⁴ But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared, ⁵ not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, ⁶ whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior, (NKJV)

Luke 6:35 ³⁵ But love your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High. For He is kind to the unthankful and evil. (NKJV)

Stephen Witmer “[Kindness is] a supernaturally generous orientation of our hearts toward other people, even when they don’t deserve it.”

Christopher Wright “Kindness can be as simple as a pleasant word, or a caring smile. But more importantly, being kind means being willing to *do* something, or to take some action, that helps somebody else even if it might be inconvenient to myself.”

Ephesians 4:32 ³² And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you. (NKJV)