



Our Theme for the Year ~ The Fruit of the Spirit

In his letter to the *Galatians* Paul exhorts us to live by the Spirit. This dependence will be marked by the Fruit of the Spirit in our lives. Not a forcing of false fruit through outward signs like circumcision, and not living scandalous lives under the guise of freedom so that no good fruit is apparent, but to be so indwelt by and so attached to the Spirit that evidence of this bond grows out like fruit.

This year our theme is the fruit of the Spirit and our prayer for the families in our group is that we would encourage one another to stay firmly attached to Jesus, keeping Him as the most valuable and worthy object of our affections and as a result of this priority that He would produce in us the fruit of His Spirit.

What a glorious concept that we as families can model and teach to our children as we live out our daily lives.

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self control. Against such things there is no law." Galatians 5:22-2