

juicy fruit

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Lesson #7

The first three qualities of JUICY FRUIT deal with your relationship with God. The next three deal with our relationship with one another. Longsuffering is _____
_____. It is suffering over a long period of time.

Longsuffering is a key characteristic of our lives as Christians. Examine: Ephesians 4:1–; 2 Timothy 4:2. Longsuffering is mostly translated _____.

There are two primary words that relate to longsuffering or patience in the NT. One is hupomone. Simply put, hupomone is patience or endurance as relates to _____
_____. Examine: Job 1:13–22; Job 2:1–9. Have you ever stopped to wonder why Job remained faithful in spite of all the things he went through? Job had hupomone and hupomone is always accompanied by _____.

1. Job HOPED that the test would make him better. (Job 23:8–10) God is using your problems and pain to polish you to a perfect and pure shine.
2. Job HOPED to _____. (Job 19:25–27) Jesus was the initial fulfillment of Job's hope. (1 Thessalonians 4)

Job had the very same hope that you and I have as believers!

Makrothumia is the quality of a person who is able to avenge him or herself yet refrains from doing so. Makrothumia speaks specifically to having _____
_____. Whereas hupomone is always accompanied by hope—makrothumia is always accompanied by _____. Examine: Matthew 18:23–35. TWO COMPONENTS OF MERCY.

1. The lack of judgment. Makrothumia doesn't judge people because it understands when we undertake to judge others we are judging God. (Romans 2:4)
2. _____
 - a. Compassion
 - b. He then loosed him.
 - c. And then the master forgave him his offense.

Examine: 2 Peter 3:9. When it came to us, _____!