

juicy fruit

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Lesson #8

Paul lists gentleness as the fifth component or attribute of having JUICY FRUIT.

Gentleness in the Greek chrestotes means _____.

Gentleness has absolutely nothing to do with weakness, timidity, lack of conviction or passivity. What makes it gentle is that it is always done out of a sense of love. Simply put, the gentleness Paul speaks of is related to _____.

In fact, the words love and kindness are so linked that many places in the Bible they form a compound word _____.

Examine: Psalm 17:7; Psalm 36:7, Psalm 6

Kindness in Action (2 Samuel 9)

- Kindness _____. A few years ago churches employed the ARK strategy of evangelism. ARK stands for _____. (Titus 3:4-5)
- Kindness is _____. Even when people are mean to you that is still not an excuse to be mean back. As I always say, it's just nice to be nice. (Matthew 5:43-48)
- Kindness can be _____. One theologian defined kindness as love acted out. Because we both represent the kingdom of God and because we both have God as our Father, we should want to be kind to one another. (Galatians 6:10)
- Kindness is shown to the _____. David did not allow Mephibosheth's roughness from showing kindness to him. Are you kind to those who can't repay it? (Colossians 3:12-14)
- Why would David want to be so kind to others? The reason David is so kind is because kindness is _____. Simply put, David wants to be kind to someone else because God has been kind to him.