

# LOVE LOOKS LIKE..

## Ripe Fruit



Part 2 | Retief Uys

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## 1. THE CROSS

John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

## 2. NO FEAR

1 John 4:18 There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear.

## 3. GOD LOVED US FIRST

1 John 4:19 We love because he first loved us.

## 1. INTRO I FOR GOD LOVED:

***Agape:*** a caring or godly concern for someone even if you do not know or like him or her. Only God himself can give it (John 3:16 - 17).

***Phileo:*** Its definition is 'to show signs of or otherwise denote brotherly affection.' Humans, without the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, can only give **this emotion toward their fellow man.**

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**A CHALLENGE ?**



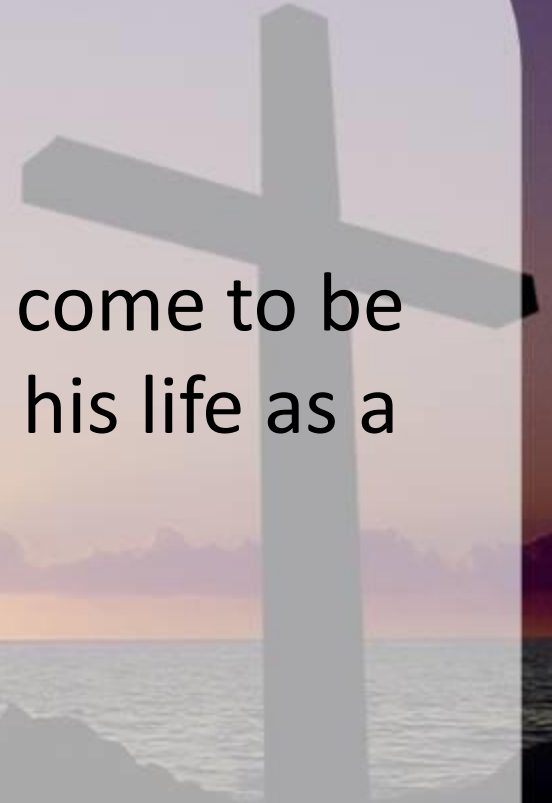
## 2. A Challenge: Matthew 5:43-48 (HCSB)

### Love Your Enemies

<sup>43</sup> “You have heard that it was said, Love your neighbor and hate your enemy. <sup>44</sup> But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, <sup>45</sup> so that you may be sons of your Father in heaven. For He causes His sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. <sup>46</sup> For if you love those who love you, what reward will you have? Don’t even the tax collectors do the same? <sup>47</sup> And if you greet only your brothers, what are you doing out of the ordinary? Don’t even the Gentiles do the same? <sup>48</sup> Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

## **Matthew 20:28**

“..just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”






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**A POSSIBILITY ?**





**By Love we are called  
through love, to love..**



## 3. BY GOD

### 3.1 Our Divine help

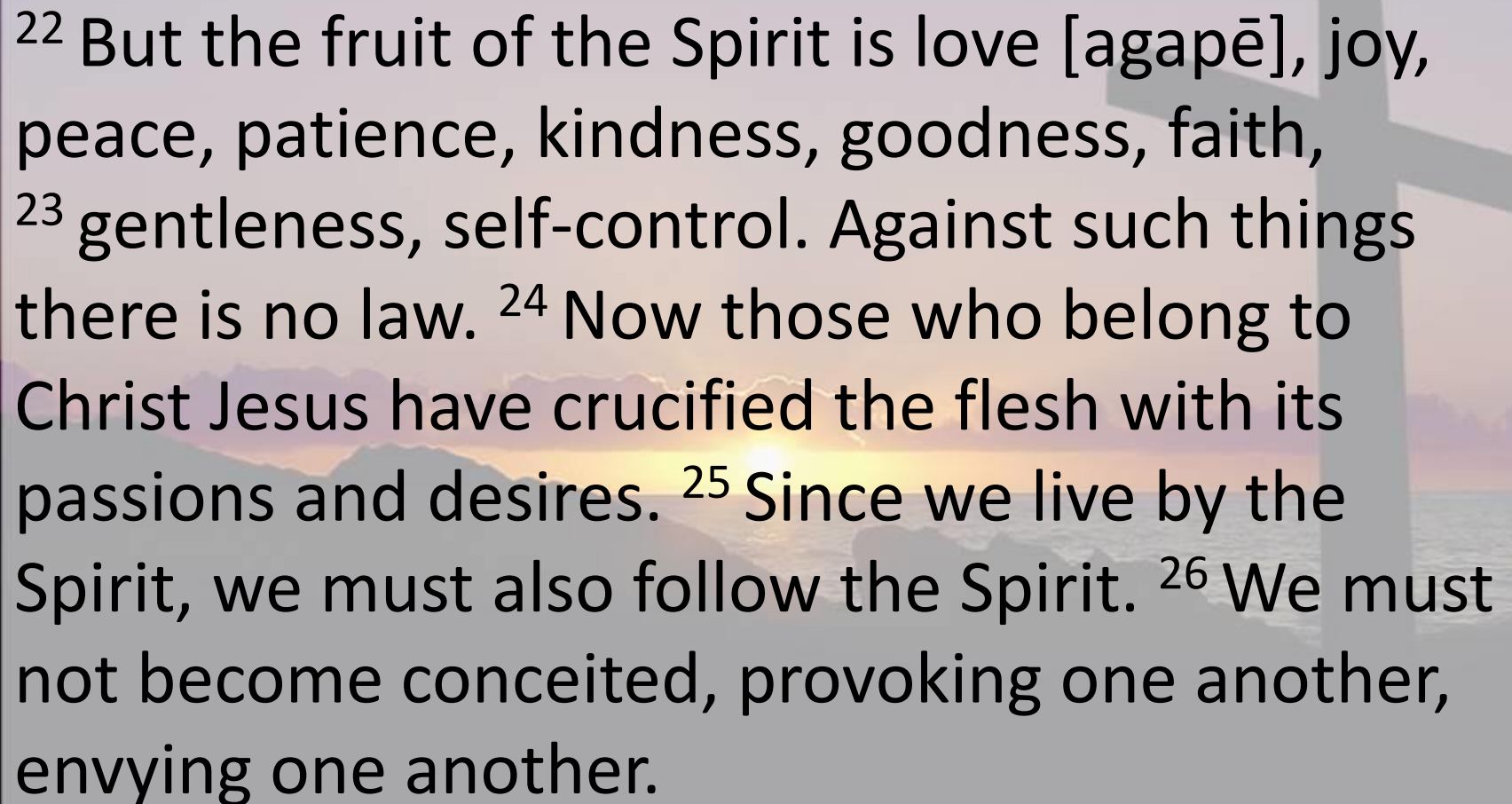
#### **Romans 5:5 (HCSB)**

<sup>5</sup> This hope will not disappoint us, because God's love [*agapē*] has been poured out in our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

## 3.2 Perfect Fruit

### **Galatians 5: The Spirit versus the Flesh**

<sup>16</sup> I say then, walk by the Spirit and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. <sup>17</sup> For the flesh desires what is against the Spirit, and the Spirit desires what is against the flesh; these are opposed to each other, so that you don't do what you want. <sup>18</sup> But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. <sup>19</sup> Now the works of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, moral impurity, promiscuity, <sup>20</sup> idolatry, sorcery, hatreds, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambitions, dissensions, factions, <sup>21</sup> envy, drunkenness, carousing, and anything similar. I tell you about these things in advance—as I told you before—that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.



<sup>22</sup> But the fruit of the Spirit is love [agapē], joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faith, <sup>23</sup> gentleness, self-control. Against such things there is no law. <sup>24</sup> Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. <sup>25</sup> Since we live by the Spirit, we must also follow the Spirit. <sup>26</sup> We must not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.



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**LET'S LOVE UPSTREAM..BECAUSE  
WE CAN!**

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**‘But a man with an experience is  
never at the mercy of a man with  
only an argument...’**

**LOVE LOOKS LIKE..  
HIS FRUIT**



Prayer