



Sunday Sermon Discussion Outline

Pastor Philip Thomas, September 14, 2025

Galatians 5:13-6:10 – Living Free (Part 4)

To bear the good fruit of the Spirit, we must first be planted by the streams of living water, attached to the vine, and continually pruned by the gardener.

Trees must be planted by the streams.

Vine branches must be connected to the vine.

Love is the greatest.

Joy is in the trial.

Peace is in believing.

We respond and apply the Word of God we have heard by bearing love, joy, and peace.

May God fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives, so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, and giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light. May you always remember that he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. (Colossians 1:9-12)

Discussion Questions:

- Based on Psalm 1:1-3 and John 7:37-39, what does it mean to be planted by the streams of living water?
- How does not walking with the wicked, or standing in the way that sinners take, or sitting in the company of mockers relate to our obvious and not-so-obvious sins?
- What does it mean to be aware of and respond to the seasons of our lives?
- According to John 15:1-8, why must the vine branches be connected to the vine?
- Why is love the greatest attribute of the fruit of the Spirit?
- How do we experience joy in the trials of life?
- How can we receive peace by believing?
- What can you do to bear love, joy, and peace?