

BIBLICAL VIRTUES AND VICES

Virtues · Fruit Of The SpiritVices · Works Of The Flesh



Fruit		Description	Scripture	
Virtues	Love	agape · divine love characterized by sacrifice in the pursuit of another person's good eros · kind of romantic love philos · friendship love storge · affection for objects or animals	In this shall all know that you are my disciples, if you may have love one to another. '	Joh 13:35
		love of benevolence · good will toward a person · meeting their needs · being respectful, constructive and/or forgiving love of complacency · being pleased by something	The love is long-suffering , it is kind , the love does not envy , the love does not vaunt itself , is not puffed up , doth not act unseemly , does not seek its own things , is not provoked , does not impute evil , rejoiceth not over the unrighteousness, and rejoiceth with the truth ; all things it beareth, all it believeth, all it hopeth, all it endureth . The love does never fail.	1Cor 13:4-8
		► see also separate word study on 'Love'	... supply with your faith excellence of character ... knowledge ... self-control ... patient endurance ... piety ... brotherly love , and with ... love .	2Pet 1:5-7
	Joy	Happiness depends on happenings, but joy depends on CHRISTOS , no matter what the circumstance might be in the given moment. Joy on the other hand is a deep satisfaction in the soul, produced by the HOLY SPIRIT, as He causes us to see the beauty of CHRISTOS in the Word and in the world.	For anger is in his wrath, but life in his favour: weeping shall tarry for the evening, but joy shall be in the morning .	Psa 29(30):5
			Rejoice in KYRIOS always. Again I say: Rejoice!	Php 4:4
			Consider it all joy , my brothers, whenever you encounter various trials, because you know that the testing of your faith produces endurance.	Jam 1:2
	Peace	A state of tranquility or quiet · a pact or agreement to end hostilities · harmony in personal relations, especially with THEOS · freedom from disquieting or oppressive thoughts or emotions.	For nothing be anxious , but in everything by prayer, and by supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto THEOS; and the peace of THEOS, that is surpassing all understanding, shall guard your hearts and your thoughts in CHRISTOS IESOUS.	Php 4:6-7
		The peace that IESOUS gives is not circumstantially based. It is peace in bad circumstances.	And above all these things, [have] love, which is a bond of the perfection, and let the peace of THEOS rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body, and become thankful.	Col 3:15
			Peace pursue with all , and the separation, apart from which no one shall see KYRIOS, looking diligently over lest any one be failing of the grace of THEOS, lest any root of bitterness springing up may give trouble, and through this many may be defiled.	Heb 12:13-15
	Patience	The power or capacity to endure something difficult or disagreeable without complaint · forbearance, longsuffering. The ability to trust in KYRIOS, knowing that He is working to complete His will in every situation we face.	Love must be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil; be attached to what is good, being devoted to one another in brotherly love, esteeming one another more highly in honor, not lagging in diligence, being enthusiastic in SPIRIT, serving KYRIOS, rejoicing in hope, enduring in affliction, being devoted to prayer, contributing to the needs of the saints, pursuing hospitality.	Rom 12:9-13
			Love is patient , love is kind.	1Cor 13:4
			Call upon you, then, do I – the prisoner of KYRIOS – to walk worthily of the calling with which you were called, with all lowliness and meekness, with long-suffering, forbearing one another in love, being diligent to keep the unity of the SPIRIT in the bond of the peace; one body and one SPIRIT, according as also you were called in one hope of your calling.	Eph 4:1-4
	Kindness	Kindness is defined as the quality of showing a tender and considerate helpful nature. Gentleness, warmth, concern, and care are words that are associated with kindness. True kindness is SPIRIT-produced .	He who pursues righteousness and kindness will find life, righteousness, and honor.	Pro 21:21
			... and become one to another kind, tender-hearted , forgiving one another, according as also THEOS in CHRISTOS did forgive you.	Eph 4:32
	Goodness	The generosity which comes from gentleness · the uprightness of heart and life . You can't have THEOS without goodness, and you can't have goodness without THEOS.	Only goodness and kindness pursue me, All the days of my life, And my dwelling [is] in the house of kyrios, for a length of days!	Psa 23:6
			And I am persuaded, my brethren – I myself also – concerning you, that you yourselves also are full of goodness , having been filled with all knowledge, able also one another to admonish.	Rom 15:14
	Faithfulness	The quality of steadfast loyalty or firm adherence to promises. To be a trustworthy person, the character of one who would die for his or her faith .	Dear friend, you act faithfully in whatever you do for the brothers, even though they are strangers.	3Joh 1:5
			Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.	Rev 2:10
	Gentleness	Gentleness is defined in the dictionary as “the quality of being tender, amiable, considerate and kind in disposition.” Biblically, it is strength under control , a meekness which involves showing humility towards THEOS and others.	Take my yoke upon you and learn from me. For I am meek and humble of heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is better, and my burden is lighter."	Mat 11:29
			Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show by his good behavior his works, with the humility of wisdom .	Jam 3:13
	Self-Control	Restraint exercised over one's impulses , emotions, or desires. The ability to overcome carnal desires, the power to live in the world without becoming soiled or contaminated by it.	A city broken down without walls, [Is] a man without restraint over his spirit!	Pro 25:28
			No temptation has taken you – except human; and THEOS is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above what you are able , but He will make, with the temptation, also the outlet, for your being able to bear [it].	1 Cor 10:13
Other Fruits	Good Message	To share the Good Message with the whole world. We all have the responsibility to testify to those we know around us.	... because of the hope that is laid up for you in the heavens, which you heard of before in the word of the truth of the good news, which is present to you , as also in all the world, and is bearing fruit , as also in you, from the day in which you heard, and knew the grace of THEOS in truth.	Col 1:5-6
			... the KYRIOS THEOS sanctify in your hearts. And [be] ready always for defence to every one who is asking of you an account concerning the hope that [is] in you , with meekness and fear.	1Pet 3:15
	Light	The fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth.	... you were once darkness, and now light in KYRIOS ; as children of light walk you, for the fruit of the SPIRIT [is] in all goodness, and righteousness, and truth, proving what is well-pleasing to KYRIOS, and have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of the darkness and rather even convict, for the things in secret done by them it is a shame even to speak of, and all the things reproved by the light are manifested, for everything that is manifested is light.	Eph 5:7-13
			Thus let your light shine before men, so that they may notice your good works, and may glorify your FATHER in the Heavens.	Mat 5:16
	Righteousness	The fruit of righteousness is expressed in the conduct of a disciple of CHRISTOS. Abiding in Him results in a righteous life . It is the character of CHRISTOS in action.	Now all discipline seems for the moment not to be joyful but painful, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness for those who are trained by it.	Heb 12:11
			And this I pray, that your love yet more and more may abound in full knowledge, and all judgment, for your proving the things that differ, that you may be pure and offenceless – to a day of Christ, being filled with the fruit of righteousness , that [is] through IESOUS CHRISTOS, to the glory and praise of THEOS.	Php 1:11
			And the wisdom from above, first, indeed, is pure, then peaceable, gentle, easily entreated, full of kindness and good fruits, uncontentious, and unhypocritical: – and the fruit of the righteousness in peace is sown to those making peace .	Jam 3:16-18
	Service	To serve our brothers and sisters, to minister to their needs , using the gift THEOS has given us. Service given in the name of KYRIOS produces beautiful fruit in the life of the disciple.	Verily, verily, I say to you, if the grain of the wheat, having fallen to the earth, may not die, itself remains alone; and if it may die, it does bear much fruit; he who is loving his life shall lose it, and he who is hating his life in this world – to life age-during shall keep it; if any one may minister to me , let him follow me, and where I am, there also my ministrant shall be; and if any one may minister to me – the FATHER will honour him.	Joh 12:24-26
			Deacons must be husbands of one wife, managing their children and their own households well. For those who have served well acquire a good standing for themselves, and great boldness in the faith that is in CHRISTOS IESOUS.	1Tim 3:13



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Vices Works Of The Flesh (Gal 5:19-21)	Adultery	Unlawful sexual relations involving a married person.	Have you not known that the unrighteous shall not inherit the reign of THEOS? Be not led astray; neither whoremongers, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the reign of THEOS. Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her ...	1Cor 6:9 Mar 10:11-12
	Anger	A strong feeling of displeasure.	Wherefore, putting away the lying, speak truth each with his neighbour, because we are members one of another; be angry and do not sin; let not the sun go down upon your wrath, neither give place to the devil. So then, my brethren beloved, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger, for the wrath of a man the righteousness of THEOS does not work; wherefore having put aside all filthiness and superabundance of evil, in meekness be receiving the engrafted word, that is able to save your souls.	Eph 4:25-27 Jam 1:19-22
	Arrogance	A feeling or an impression of superiority manifested in an overbearing manner or presumptuous claims.	Do not increase speaking very proud words! Let no arrogance go forth from your mouth, for KYRIOS is a THEOS of knowledge whose deeds are not weighed. The fear of KYRIOS is hatred of evil, pride, and arrogance and an evil way. And I hate a mouth of perversity.	1Sam 2:3 Pro 8:13
	Cheating	To deprive of something valuable by deceit or fraud · to practice fraud or trickery.	Now you yourselves know that I have served your father [Laban] with all my strength, and your father has cheated me and changed my wages ten times, but THEOS has not allowed him to harm me. “When a person displays infidelity against KYRIOS and he deceives his fellow citizen regarding something entrusted or a pledge or stealing or he exploits his fellow citizen, or he finds lost property and lies about it and swears falsely in regard to any one of these things by which a person might commit sin, and when he sins and is guilty, then he shall bring back the things he had stolen or what he had extorted or something with which he had been entrusted or the lost property that he had found ...	Gen 31:6-7 Lev 6:2-4
	Dissension	Disagreement · discord.	And I call upon you, brethren, through the name of our KYRIOS IESOUS CHRISTOS, that the same thing you may all say, and there may not be divisions among you, and you may be perfected in the same mind, and in the same judgment, for it was signified to me concerning you, my brethren, by those of Chloe, that contentions are among you; and I say this, that each one of you said ‘I, indeed, am of Paul’ – ‘and I of Apollos,’ – ‘and I of Cephas,’ – ‘and I of CHRISTOS.’	1Cor 1:10-12
	Drunkenness	Being habitually drunk.	Let us live decently, as in the day, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and licentiousness, not in strife and jealousy. And be not drunk with wine, in which is dissoluteness, but be filled in the SPIRIT, speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to KYRIOS.	Rom 13:13 Eph 5:18
	Envy	Discontent or resentment because of another's success, advantages, or superiority.	I also realized that all of the toil and all of the skillful work that is done – it is envy between one man and another. This also is vanity and chasing wind! Love is patient, love is kind, love is not jealous, it does not boast, it does not become conceited, it does not behave dishonorably, it is not selfish, it does not become angry, it does not keep a record of wrongs ...	Ecc 4:4 1Cor 13:4-5
	Fornication	Consensual sexual intercourse involving two people not married to each other nor to another person.	‘If a man seduces a virgin who is not engaged and he lies with her ... For from the heart come: Evil contemplations, murders, adulteries [related to marriage], fornications [related to singles], thefts ... Nevertheless, to avoid fornication, let every man have his own wife I have written unto you not to keep company, if any man that is called a brother be a fornicator [...] with such an one no not to eat. Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers [...] shall inherit the Kingdom of THEOS.	Exo 22:16 Mat 15:19 1Cor 7:2 1Cor 5:9-11 1Cor 6:9-10
	Gossip	Rumor or talk of a personal, sensational, or intimate nature. Trivial, chatty talk or writing.	A gossip walks about telling a secret, but the trustworthy in spirit keeps the matter. And at the same time also, going around from house to house, they learn to be idle, and not only idle, but also gossipy and busybodies, saying the things that are not necessary.	Pro 11:13 1Tim 5:13
	Greed	A selfish and excessive desire for more of something (e.g. wealth, possessions) than is needed.	Put to death, then, your members that [are] upon the earth – whoredom, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and the covetousness, which is idolatry – because of which things cometh the anger of THEOS upon the sons of the disobedience ... He who makes trouble for his house is he who is greedy for unjust gain, but he who hates bribes will live. The greedy person will stir up strife, but he who trusts in KYRIOS will be enriched.	Col 3:5-6 Pro 15:27 Pro 28:25
	Homosexuality	Erotic activity with another of the same sex. ► see also separate study "Topics – Sexual Discipline"	Have you not known that the unrighteous the reign of THEOS shall not inherit? Be not led astray; neither whoremongers, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, the reign of THEOS shall inherit. And certain of you were these! But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were declared righteous, in the name of the KYRIOS IESOUS, and in the SPIRIT of our THEOS.	1Cor 6:8-11
	Hostility	Deep-seated ill will · enmity towards others or THEOS.	... lest there be strifes, envyings, wraths, revelries, evil speakings, whisperings, puffings up, insurrections, lest again having come, my THEOS may humble me in regard to you, and I may bewail many of those having sinned before, and not having reformed ... For He is our peace, who did make both one, and the middle wall of the enclosure did break down, the enmity in his flesh, the law of the commands in ordinances having done away, that the two He might create in Himself into one new man, making peace, and might reconcile both in one body to THEOS through the cross, having slain the enmity in it, and having come, He did proclaim Good News ...	2Cor 12:19-21 Eph 2:14-16
	Idolatry	The worship of a physical object as a deity · immoderate attachment or devotion of something or somebody.	And manifest also are the works of the flesh, which are: Adultery, whoredom, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, strifes, emulations, wraths, rivalries, dissensions, sects, envyings, murders, drunkennesses, revellings, and such like, of which I tell you before, as I also said before, that those doing such things the reign of THEOS shall not inherit. Therefore, my dear friends, flee from idolatry.	Gal 5:19-20 1Cor 10:14
	Impurity	Uncleanness · the impurity of lustful · luxurious, profligate living · impure motives. Unclean spirits.	Put to death, then, your members that [are] upon the earth – whoredom, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and the covetousness, which is idolatry – because of which things comes the anger of THEOS upon the sons of the disobedience for THEOS did not call us on uncleanness, but in sanctification; he, therefore, who is despising – does not despise man, but THEOS, who also did give His HOLY SPIRIT to us.	Col 3:5-6 1The 4:6-8
	Jealousy	Jealous feeling, disposition, or attitude. Being envious of someone who has something we do not have.	And the patriarchs, having been moved with jealousy, sold Joseph to Egypt, and THEOS was with him, and did deliver him out of all his tribulations, and gave him favour and wisdom before Pharaoh ... But when the Jews saw the crowds, they were filled with jealousy, and began contradicting what was being said by Paul by reviling him.	Act 7:9 Act 13:45
	Lust	Intense or unbridled sexual desire · an intense longing.	Therefore put to death what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, uncleanness, lustful passion, evil desire, and greediness, which is idolatry. For the time past of our life may suffice us to have wrought the will of the Gentiles, when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revellings, banquetings, and abominable idolatries ...	Col 3:5 1Pet 4:3
	Lying	Marked by or containing falsehoods. One biblical exception: Lying in order to protect a life from wrongful killing is appropriate.	The lip of truth shall be established for ever: But a lying tongue is but for a moment. An abomination of KYRIOS are lips of deceit, but they who act faithfully are His delight. And the midwives feared THEOS, and have not done as the king of Egypt hath spoken unto them, and keep the lads alive ... But the woman took the two men and hid them. And she said, “Yes, the men came to me ... the men left, and I do not know where they went ...	Pro 12:19 Pro 12:22 Exo 1:17 Jos 2:4-5
	Murder	The personal, intentional killing of another person.	You shall not murder.	Exo 20:13 Deu 5:17 Mat 19:18 Rom 13:9
	Quarreling	To find fault · to contend or dispute actively.	And him who is weak in the faith receive you – not to determinations of reasonings; one does believe that he may eat all things – and he who is weak does eat herbs; let not him who is eating despise him who is not eating; and let not him who is not eating judge him who is eating, for THEOS did receive him. I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto you were not able to bear it, neither yet now are you able. For you are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men? ...	Rom 14:1-3 1Cor 3:2-4
	Selfish Ambition	Seeking or concentrating on one's own advantage, pleasure, or well-being without regard for others.	Do nothing according to selfish ambition or according to empty conceit, but in humility considering one another better than yourselves, each of you not looking out for your own interests, but also each of you for the interests of others. ... for where zeal and rivalry [are], there is insurrection and every evil matter; and the wisdom from above, first, indeed, is pure, then peaceable, gentle, easily entreated, full of kindness and good fruits, uncontentious, and unhypocritical ...	Php 2:3-4 Jam 3:16-17
	Sexual Immorality	The quality or state of being immoral · an immoral act or practise.	For from the heart come: Evil contemplations, murder, adulteries, fornications, thefts ... For this is the will of THEOS, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication: that every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour; not in the lust of concupiscence, even as the Gentiles which know not THEOS ...	Mat 15:19 1The 4:3-5
	Sorcery	The use of power gained from the assistance or control of evil spirits, especially for divining.	“When you come to the land that KYRIOS your THEOS is giving to you, you must not learn to do like the detestable practices of those nations. There shall not be found among you one who makes his son or his daughter go through the fire, or one who practices divination, or an interpreter of signs, or an augur, or sorcerer, or one who casts magic spells, or one who consults a spirit of the dead, or spiritist, or one who inquires of the dead. For everyone doing these things is detestable to KYRIOS ... And manifest also are the works of the flesh, which are: Adultery, whoredom, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, strifes ...	Deu 18:9-12 Gal 5:20-21
	Stealing	To take the property of another wrongfully.	Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth. You shall not steal.	Eph 4:28 Exo 20:15
	Swearing, Oaths	A solemn, formal declaration or promise to fulfill a pledge.	But I say to you, do not swear at all, either by heaven ... or by the earth ... do not swear by your head ... But let your statement be ‘Yes, yes; no, no,’ ... Now above all, my brothers, do not swear either by heaven or by earth or by any other oath, but let your yes be yes and your no, no, in order that you may not fall under judgment.	Mat 5:34-37 Jam 5:12
	Wild Parties	Debauchery · orgies · carousing.	Let us live decently, as in the day, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and licentiousness, not in strife and jealousy. For the time past of our life may suffice us to have wrought the will of the Gentiles, when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revellings, banquetings, and abominable idolatries: wherein they think it strange that you run not with them to the same excess of riot, speaking evil of you ...	Rom 13:13 1Pet 4:3-4

