

Bearing the Right Kind of Fruit

Haggai 2:10-23
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- “That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God.” **Colossians 1:10**
 - A person can bring forth fruit unto _____.
Romans 7:4
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Romans 7:5
- We make decisions, and from those decisions come fruit (results, consequences).

How can we bring forth fruit unto God?

First, it will take _____ hearts. vs. 10-14

- In Colossians 1:10, the key to fruitfulness is “walk worthy of the Lord **unto all pleasing.**”
- “What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? for the end of those things is death. But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto **holiness**, and the end everlasting life.” **Romans 6:21-22**
- When we make decisions to sin and disobey God, it shouldn’t surprise us when we reap rotten _____ in our lives.

Second, it will take _____ hands. vs. 15-19

- The Bible gives us instruction concerning our attitude towards God's work today.
 - *“Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.” 1 Corinthians 15:58*
- If we don't have people who are willing to put God's work _____, then we can't expect to reap the spiritual fruit of changed lives. It takes willing hands.
- *“And let ours also learn to maintain good works for necessary uses, that they be not unfruitful.” Titus 3:14*
- There will be a lot of Christians who will have _____ fruit to show for their lives when they stand before God one day. They lived unto themselves and not unto God.

Third, it will take _____ from the Lord. vs. 20-23

- *“Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.” Ephesians 6:10*
- Church, as we find our daily strength in the Lord, we bring forth fruit in two ways:
 1. God's work on _____ is accomplished and moves forward.
 2. There will be eternal fruit we will enjoy in the _____ to come. Colossians 3:23-24