

<u>Sermon Discussion Guide – The Fruit of the Spirit is - PATIENCE</u> Galatians 5:22-23

- 1. Do you tend to think of yourself as a patient person? Or do you find yourself struggling with impatience? What encouragement do you find in 2 Peter 1:3-4?
- 2. What is the connection between love and patience?
- 3. Why does patience mean being willing to wait (see 1 Thessalonians 5:14)? Why is it sometimes difficult to wait for someone to grow and mature?
- 4. What does "patience makes allowances for one another" mean (see Ephesians 4:2)?
- 5. How is our willingness to forgive an indication of patience? What do we learn about patience from Jesus' teaching in Matthew 18:22-30?
- 6. Pastor Tim said, "You will never have to be more patient with others as God has been with you." How does remembering God's patience towards us help us to be more patient towards others?
- 7. In which relationship should you show more patience this week?