

EVERYDAY DISCIPLE

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Impact Kids Fall 2026 Leader Devo

October 14, 2026- Disciples can't hide real faith.

Bible-Galatians 5: 13-26- Fruit of the Spirit

Disciples build relationships that point each other to Jesus.

Read: Galatians 5:13-26

Highlight: Galatians 5:22-25

Reflect: When the Holy Spirit is at work in our lives, He produces qualities such as love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. As followers of Jesus, we are called to let the Spirit lead us and to avoid pride, comparison, and actions that harm our relationships with others.

- Which fruit of the Spirit is most evident in my life right now, and which one needs the most growth?
- In what areas am I relying on my own strength rather than allowing the Holy Spirit to lead me?
- How can I demonstrate the fruit of the Spirit in a challenging relationship or situation this week?

Pray: *Father God, thank You for Your Spirit at work in our lives. Thank you for the special gifts that show others we belong to You. Father, we confess sometimes we quench Your spirit in our lives. We ask your forgiveness and desire to find that fruit active in our lives this week. Help us celebrate others for their fruit and use it as an instrument to guide others to You. In Jesus' name, Amen!*

Connect: The goal is not simply for kids to memorize the Fruit of the Spirit. The goal is for them to recognize that when the Holy Spirit changes how they treat others, their relationships can become opportunities to show people what Jesus is like.

- **Keep it concrete.** Kids understand examples better than definitions. Instead of asking, "How can you show kindness?" ask, "What would kindness look like if a new kid sat alone at lunch?"
- **Connect every fruit to a relationship.** Help kids see that the Fruit of the Spirit isn't just about personal character—it's about how we treat others. Examples: Love helps us care for others. Patience helps us handle frustration. Kindness helps us include others. Self-control helps us choose good words.
- **Use real-life scenarios.** Present situations kids face at school, sports, home, or church and ask, "Which fruit of the Spirit would help here?"
- **Celebrate small wins.** When kids share examples of showing love, patience, or kindness, affirm them. This helps kids recognize that God is already working in their lives.
- **Ask "How did that affect the relationship?"** After discussing a fruit, help kids connect it to relationships. For example: "How does showing gentleness help someone feel loved by Jesus?"