

**DISCOVERING LIFE TOGETHER SERIES: THE GOSPEL OF JOHN**  
**PART 4 – NEVER ALONE | *Holy Spirit: Fruit Producer and Gift Giver***  
**John 15:1–11, Galatians 5:22–25, 1 Peter 4:7–11**

**NOTES: *The Holy Spirit ...***

- I. Produces **FRUIT**
- II. Gives **GIFTS**

**Questions for Community Groups and Individual Bible Study**

***For Starters:*** What are your gifts (talents, abilities)? Do you use your gifts occupationally, socially, at church? What would you say is your greatest strength and/or weakness?

***The Basics:*** The Holy Spirit produces fruit and gives gifts to *all* those who belong to Him. Read John 15:1–16, and 1 Peter 4:7–11. What stands out to you and why? What is the difference between the fruit and gifts of the Holy Spirit?

***Quick-Fire Round***

- The Holy Spirit bears fruit in the life of *every* Christian. Read Ephesians 1:13–14, John 15:1–9, and John 15:16–17. How has the Spirit born fruit in your life? Discuss the connection between fruit-bearing and abiding. Is it possible to be a Christian who produces no fruit over a lifetime?
- Read Galatians 5:22–25. What fruit do you want to see the Spirit produce more of in you? What are the personal ramifications of no law or limit to the fruit of the Spirit?
- Read 1 Thessalonians 5:19, and Ephesians 4:30 and 5:18. How can we quench or grieve the Holy Spirit? What would happen if we gave the Spirit greater access to change us?
- The Holy Spirit gives gifts. Read 1 Peter 4:7–11, Romans 12:6–8, and 1 Corinthians 12:4–13. What are the major gift allocations and what is the purpose of these gifts? As you review the gifts, what would you say are your gifts? Are you using them?
- On the charismatic or sign gifts, read 1 Corinthians 12:8–11, 13:1–3, 13:11, and 14:22. What would you say to someone who believed one needed to speak in tongues, share a word of knowledge, or perform miracles or healings to be a “real” Spirit-filled Christian? Do you agree or disagree that these gifts are valid today? Support your reasoning with Scripture. What are the greatest of all gifts?

***Challenge:*** How can you allow the Holy Spirit room to produce fruit in you to mature and grow you? How can you discover and serve Christ and others using your gifts in the church? What is your next step from this study?

***Memorize 1 Peter 4:10*** As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace.

***Prayer:*** Father, thank you that I am never alone. I know that you are producing your life in me and have gifted me to serve others and bring you glory. Help me be a good steward of what you have given me. Amen.