

PENINSULA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Fruit Salad 09/16/18

Kurt made the statement a few weeks ago "***Our godly I.D. will be outward***"

The Big Idea: Jesus said "A tree is identified by it's fruit!" Luke 6:44. How are **YOU** identified? And together how are **WE** identified?

First off we are living trees

We are to be growing tall and strong with deep roots that hold us in place

And as this happens we will bear fruit

Next, Fruit does not just happen, whether in our garden, or growing in the wild it starts from a seed

The Lord has given us those seeds, seeds that we must cultivate and let grow in our lives

LIFE Groups

Philippians 1:9-11

Overflowing ***Love***

Not conditional

Growing ***Knowledge***

Deep ***Understanding*** (what really matters)

Living ***Pure*** and ***Blameless*** Lives

Nathaniel

Always filled with the ***fruit*** of your salvation
– ***righteous character*** which is ***produced by Jesus Christ***

Galatians 5:22-23

The Holy Spirit produces...

More righteous character

Colossians 1:6-10

Bearing fruit everywhere

By changing lives

Changes in your life

But why?

Our lives are growing, maturing & showing our identity by the fruit we bear

But this identity isn't just for us

And it is not just for others

When bearing fruit we...

Bring much ***glory*** and ***praise to God***
(Phil. 1:11)

Honor and ***Please the Lord*** (Col. 6:10)

Grow ***closer*** in ***relationship with the Lord***
(Col. 6:10)

This is to my ***Father's glory***, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to ***be my disciples***. (John 15:8)

These things are to ***reveal*** Him and make Him ***known*** to the world we live in (discipleship)!

What is Fruit Salad then?

Each of us bears a different type of fruit, and these fruits are meant for the growth and maturing of each other

Mixed together WE ARE the fruit salad

Ephesians 4:16

We all to be bearing fruit together
Each part being unique
Each part helps the other parts
His recipe is perfect

Your identity is part of our identity

Action Points:

- 1.) **Allow** Him/**Ask** Him to reveal His fruits
in your life
- 2.) **Cultivate/work** to produce those fruits
- 3.) **Share** those fruits with those around
you in and out of the church

Closing point: We are His bride and we have the obligation to reflect Him in our identity (The fruit we bear) which is ultimately His magnificence for the world to receive.