



**Fruitfulness is Yours**  
**Sunday December 01, 2024**

Let's begin today by reading a few Scripture texts:

**Psalm 1:1-3**

**1 Blessed is the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful;**

**2 But his delight is in the law of the LORD, And in His law he meditates day and night.**

**3 He shall be like a tree Planted by the rivers of water, That brings forth its fruit in its season, Whose leaf also shall not wither; And whatever he does shall prosper.**

**Psalm 25:12-13**

**12 Who is the man that fears the LORD? Him shall He teach in the way He chooses.**

**13 He himself shall dwell in prosperity, And his descendants shall inherit the earth.**

**Psalm 128:1-2**

**1 Blessed is every one who fears the LORD, Who walks in His ways.**

**2 When you eat the labor of your hands, You shall be happy, and it shall be well with you.**

**Psalm 128:2 (GNB)**

**Your work will provide for your needs; you will be happy and prosperous.**

**John 15:8**

**By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples.**

Our sermon today is titled: Fruitfulness is yours!

We are using the word **fruitful here to mean to be successful, flourish, thrive, prosper, increase, multiply.** The word fruitful is an old way of saying that you are doing well, you are flourishing, thriving, etc.

We wish to deal with a few aspects of fruitfulness from a Biblical perspective, that might help us today.

**IS IT RIGHT TO DESIRE AND BE MOTIVATED TO BE FRUITFUL?**

Many of us struggle internally with this question.

How do we hold faith in God and a desire and motivation for success, together?

The default assumption many people have, is that the more holy and godly you are, the less interest, desire and motivation you would have in being fruitful, successful, etc.

**#1, God proclaimed fruitfulness for us.**



When God blessed Adam and Eve and spoke over them to be fruitful, multiply, fill the earth, subdue, and have dominion (Genesis 1:28), this was not only multiplication in terms of procreation, but blessing in all God had assigned for us as people.

The Genesis proclamation of blessing was for fruitfulness – doing well in all we were assigned to do.

This is fruitfulness in all areas - spiritually, life, family, work, ministry.

## **#2, God promised fruitfulness for us.**

Throughout Scripture, and we read a few texts above (Psalm 1:1-3; Psalm 25:12-13; Psalm 128:1-2; John 15:8) we observe God promising and speaking the blessing of fruitfulness in all areas - spiritually, life, family, work, ministry.

We need to be assured in our hearts that our sincere desire and motivation to be fruitful in what God has called us to do is godly – aligned to God's will and purpose.

If we keep this desire pure, not selfish, not self-centred, but for God's glory, for God's purposes, for the blessing of people, we can let this desire and motivation propel us into action.

## **BIBLICAL PRINCIPLES FOR FRUITFULNESS**

Here are a few Biblical principles in the context of fruitfulness. We consider these quickly and in brief:

- #1, The blessing of the Lord (Proverbs 10:22; Genesis 26:12; Psalm 75:6-7)
- #2, Living by the Word of God (Joshua 1:8; Psalm 1:1-3)
- #3, Diligence (Proverbs 10:4; Proverbs 22:29)
- #4, Wisdom of God (Ecclesiastes 10:10; Proverbs 4:7-9; 8:12,18; Proverbs 24:3-4)
- #5, Faithfulness in little things (Matthew 25:21,23; Job 8:6-7; Isaiah 60:22)

## **FRUITFULNESS DEMONSTRATES FAITHFULNESS**

This may seem counterintuitive as many of us may not see faithfulness in terms of fruitfulness (success).

Matthew 25:21,23,29



Whom did the Lord commend as being “good and faithful”? Not the man who faithfully kept one talent without increasing it. But those who increased and multiplied what was given to them were commended as being “good and faithful”.

**Matthew 25:29**

**For to everyone who has, more will be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who does not have, even what he has will be taken away.**

God gives more to those who are multiplying what has been given to them. More is entrusted to those who are multiplying or being fruitful.

God rewards fruitfulness with greater fruitfulness.

**EXERCISE FAITH FOR FRUITFULNESS**

Be bold in what God has called you to do and assigned for your life.

Dream, expect, pray, believe God for fruitfulness.

Work diligently, with wisdom and faithfulness to see growth, increase, multiplication, fruitfulness.

There may be temporary failures, setbacks, disappointments, delays, detours, etc. but press in by faith and with determination, for the fruitfulness that is yours. God is on your side.

**THE PRAYER OF JABEZ - AGAINST ALL ODDS**

**1 Chronicles 4:9-10**

**9 Now Jabez was more honorable than his brothers, and his mother called his name Jabez, saying, "Because I bore him in pain."**

**10 And Jabez called on the God of Israel saying, "Oh, that You would bless me indeed, and enlarge my territory, that Your hand would be with me, and that You would keep me from evil, that I may not cause pain!" So God granted him what he requested.**

Jabez prayed a bold prayer for God to bless him, increase him and cause him to be fruitful and be a blessing. You can pray bold prayers too!

**SUMMARY**

**GOSPEL AND SALVATION CALL**



Fruitfulness is Yours  
Sermon Notes, Sermon Outline and Small Group Study Guide

**SUPERNATURAL MINISTRY TIME**

**Minister as the Spirit leads**



LIFE GROUP STUDY GUIDE

**Fruitfulness is Yours**  
**Sunday December 01, 2024**

This is a simple guide for use in Life Group discussions. Our objective is to focus on the application of the Sunday sermon - how each one is becoming a doer of the Word and building their life on God's Holy Word. The Life Group meeting would normally last for 1.5 to 2 hours. Each Life Group would have up to 12-15 people.

**Preparation**

**Life Group Leader:** To prepare for the Life Group meeting, you can listen to the Sermon or review the Sunday Sermon notes. **Please do not make your life group read through the complete sermon notes during the life group.** All you need to do is have individuals read the Scriptures listed below and then open for a time of discussion, sharing and learning using the questions given below. All these are available in the "All Peoples Church Bangalore" mobile App or online at our [sermons page](#). Pray for the Life Group meeting and invite the work and ministry of the Holy Spirit.

**Welcome**

The Life Group meeting may commence with a time of prayer, worship, and a fun activity.

**LISTEN to God's Word**

Read the following Scripture references: Psalm 1:1-3; Psalm 25:12-13; Psalm 128:1-2

**INVESTIGATE God's Word Together**

**Life Group is a discussion-based, participatory meeting with everyone given the opportunity to share their learning.** Please discuss a few of these together, giving time for people to share their insights. We encourage each one individually to make notes of their personal learning during the Group discussion.

#1, Is it right to desire and to be motivated to be fruitful? Why is it that some believers hesitate to talk about and desire to be fruitful?

#2, We considered a few Biblical principles for fruitfulness:

(a) The blessing of the Lord



- (b) Living by the Word of God
- (c) Diligence
- (d) Wisdom of God
- (e) Faithfulness in little things

What other Biblical principles would you add to this list?

#3, Discuss the statement "fruitfulness demonstrates faithfulness" based on Matthew 25:21,23,29. God rewards fruitfulness with greater fruitfulness. Why do you think God does this?

#4, What are some practical ways one can exercise faith for fruitfulness in whatever they are doing in this season of life?

Each one can take a few (3 minutes max) to share one or two key insights and how they see themselves applying it to their specific life situations. Encourage each one to participate and share.

#### **FELLOWSHIP by sharing your life and spiritual journey**

Each one takes a few (3 minutes max) to share anything from their walk with God, something God has been teaching them, a testimony of answered prayer or a specific challenge that they would like prayer for. Encourage each one to participate and share.

#### **ENCOURAGE each other by praying and ministering to one another**

Get into small groups of two or three and take turns to thank God and pray for each other in the light of what was learnt today. Listen to the Holy Spirit. Expect the gifts of the Holy Spirit to flow, bringing healing, releasing miracles, prophecy, etc.

Regroup and pray together for:

- 1, *families to be protected and strengthened*
- 2, *a mighty outpouring of God's Holy Spirit on us as a church and through us to bless many others in our city and nation. Nothing but a mighty work of God's Spirit can change our city and nation.*
- 3, *for the BUILD TO IMPACT project - for all details to go well as we plan and build our Bible college and church facilities to serve the Lord and people.*

Close by thanking God together.



USEFUL RESOURCES

Watch our online Sunday Church service live stream every Sunday at 10:30am (Indian Time, GMT+5:30). Spirit filled, anointed worship, Word and ministry for healing, miracles, and deliverance.

**YOUTUBE:** <https://youtube.com/allpeopleschurchbangalore>

**WEBSITE:** <https://apcwo.org/live>

Our other websites and free resources:

**CHURCH:** <https://apcwo.org>

**FREE SERMONS:** <https://apcwo.org/resources/sermons>

**FREE BOOKS:** <https://apcwo.org/books/english>

**DAILY DEVOTIONALS:** <https://apcwo.org/resources/daily-devotional>

**JESUS CHRIST:** <https://examiningjesus.com>

**BIBLE COLLEGE:** <https://apcbiblecollege.org>

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**WEEKEND SCHOOLS:** <https://apcwo.org/ministries/weekend-schools>

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## SERMON OUTLINE

In this sermon "fruitfulness is yours", we point to the fact that God has proclaimed fruitfulness over our lives. God has promised fruitfulness for us. To be fruitful is to be successful, to thrive, to do well, to flourish. We address the question, is it right to desire and to be motivated to be fruitful and successful? Why is it that some believers hesitate to talk about and desire to be fruitful?

We consider a few Biblical principles for fruitfulness:

- (a) The blessing of the Lord
- (b) Living by the Word of God
- (c) Diligence
- (d) Wisdom of God
- (e) Faithfulness in little things

We also discover that fruitfulness demonstrates faithfulness" based on Matthew 25:21,23,29. God rewards fruitfulness with greater fruitfulness. All of us can exercise faith for fruitfulness in whatever we are doing in this season of life.

## KEYWORDS



fruitful, successful, thriving, prosperous, sermons, sermon notes, sermon outline, free sermon notes, free sermon outlines, Bible study resources

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