

LOVE BEARS FRUIT

Point #1:

When you become a Christina it is like entering into a new and improved marriage.

A new marriage

(Romans 7:2 NASB) For the married woman is bound by law to her husband while he is living; but if her husband dies, she is released from the law concerning the husband.

Point #2:

The intent of marriage is to
Bear fruit .

Not Good!

(Genesis 2:18 NASB) Then the LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone; I will make him a helper suitable for him."

Be fruitful and multiply

(Gen 1:27-28 NASB) God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. God blessed them; and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

Point #3:

Compare the benefits _____.

Bear fruit for God

(Romans 6:4 NASB) Therefore, my brethren, you also were made to die to the Law through the body of Christ, so that you might be joined to another, to Him who was raised from the dead, in order that we might bear fruit for God.

That you bear much fruit

(John 15:8 NASB) *“My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit, and so prove to be My disciples.*

Apart from me you can do nothing

(John 15:4-5 NASB) "Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it abides in the vine, so neither can you unless you abide in Me. "I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing.

Bearing fruit in every good work

(Col 1:10 NIV) And we pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God,

Point #4:

We either produce good fruit or bad.

Fruit for death

(Romans 7:5 NASB) For while we were in the flesh, the sinful passions, which were aroused by the Law, were at work in the members of our body to bear fruit for death.

Examine yourself

(2 Cor 13:5 NASB) Test yourselves to see if you are in the faith; examine yourselves! Or do you not recognize this about yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you—unless indeed you fail the test?

CONCLUSION