

Behold Test 4

Dependability vs. Inconsistency

1. Write from memory the definition of the Fruit of Righteousness - Dependability:

2. To show that you not only know the definition of dependability but that you also understand its meaning, please give two examples of how you have been dependable since you began your study of this Fruit of Righteousness:

a) _____

b) _____

3. Write from memory the definition of the Work of Self-Righteousness - Inconsistency:

4. To show that you not only know the definition of inconsistency but that you also understand its meaning, please give two examples of ways in which you exhibited inconsistent behavior in your life before you knew it was an alternative to the Fruit of Righteousness - Dependability:

a) _____

b) _____

5. Using your dictionary, dissect and define the words in parenthesis found in I Corinthians 15:58:

“Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.”

-I Corinthians 15:58

“Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye (steadfast) _____, (unmoveable) _____, (always) _____ (abounding) _____ in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your (labour) _____ is not in (vain) _____ in the Lord.”

- I Corinthians 15:58

6. Information Application: Please re-read I Corinthians 15:58 using your dissected and defined meanings. Rewrite in your own words (paraphrase) what this verse means to you. This method of studying your Bible will help you better understand what God is trying to teach you so that you are more apt to apply it in your life.
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7. Using your dictionary, dissect and define the words in parenthesis found in Matthew 20:20b, 21:

“...Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside them five talents more. His lord said unto him, Well done thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.” -Matthew 20:20b, 21

...Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five (talents) _____: behold, I have (gained) _____ beside them five talents more. His lord said unto him, Well done thou (good) _____ and (faithful) _____ (servant) _____: thou hast been faithful over a (few) _____ things: enter thou into the (joy) _____ of the Lord. -Matthew 20:20b, 21

8. Information Application: Please re-read Matthew 20:20b-21 using your dissected and defined meanings. Rewrite in your own words (paraphrase) what this verse means to you. This method of studying your Bible will help you better understand what God is trying to teach you so that you are more apt to apply it in your life.
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9. Using your dictionary, dissect and define the words in parenthesis found in Galatians 5:7-9:

“Ye did run well: who did hinder you that ye should not obey the truth? This persuasion cometh not of him that calleth you. A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump.” - Galatians 5:7-9

“Ye did run well: who did (hinder) _____ you that ye should not (obey) _____ the (truth) _____? This persuasion cometh not of him that (calleth) _____ you. A (little) _____ (leaven) _____ (leaveneth) _____ the whole lump.” - Galatians 5:7-9

10. Information Application: Please re-read Galatians 5:7-9 using your dissected and defined meanings. Rewrite in your own words (paraphrase) what this verse means to you. This method of studying your Bible will help you better understand what God is trying to teach you so that you are more apt to apply it in your life.
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11. In the space provided below, please share an act of service that demonstrates Spirit-led dependability. Explain what alternative act in the same situation would have exhibited the self-righteous reaction of inconsistency:

Student Self-Evaluation

-Using Information To Develop Your Personal Relation

As a developing Christian, God will place you in circumstances that will bring you opportunities to overcome occasional instabilities and exhibit dependability. While under these circumstances, you may find yourself submitting to this fruit, or you may fall to your instabilities and exhibit inconsistency. When we “try hard to do better,” we often rely on accountability or availability rather than the Spirit’s guidance. When we learn to yield to God’s power, He will direct us to utilize our abilities despite our occasional instabilities..

After learning these truths, how have you found yourself responding to these opportunities:

☐ - I usually exhibit the Fruit of Righteousness - Dependability.

☐ - I struggle with yielding to the Work of Self-Righteousness - Inconsistency.

How do you think you could remain dependable when your instable flesh desires to escape from accountability and availability and refuse to use the abilities God has equipped you to use? Remember, “trying harder to do better” is not the right answer!

FOR THE DISCIPLER’S USE ONLY:

1. Do you feel your student understands the Fruit of Righteousness - Dependability and the devil’s offsetting work of Inconsistency?

Yes

No

2. Would you feel their grasp of these two alternative actions and reactions is:

Strong

Strengthening

Adequate

Minimal

Weak

3. Do you believe this student responds somewhat consistently with dependability when threatened with tempting circumstance in which his/her character must overcome?

Often

Sometimes

Seldom

Never

4. Do you believe this student is ready to progress to the next fruit test of Purity?

Yes

No

5. If yes, what leads you to feel this way?_____

6. If no, what are your reasons?_____

