

# FRUIT OF RIGHTEOUSNESS—ENTHUSIASM vs. WORK OF SELF-RIGHTEOUSNESS—APATHY

1. Write from memory the definition of the fruit of Righteousness—Enthusiasm:

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

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3. Write from memory the definition of the work of Self-Righteousness—Apathy:

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4. To show that you not only know the definition of apathy but that you also understand its meaning, please give two examples of ways in which you exhibited apathy in your life *before* you knew it was an alternative to the fruit of Righteousness—Enthusiasm.

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5. Using your dictionary, dissect and define the words in parenthesis found in Colossians 3:22-24:

“Servants, obey in all things your masters according to the flesh; not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but in singleness of heart, fearing God: And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men; Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ.” Colossians 3:22-24

(Servants) \_\_\_\_\_, *obey in all things your (masters)*  
\_\_\_\_\_ *according to the flesh; not with*  
(eyeservice) \_\_\_\_\_, *as menpleasers; but in*  
(singleness of heart) \_\_\_\_\_, *fearing*  
*God: And whatsoever ye do, do it (heartily) \_\_\_\_\_,*  
*as to the Lord, and not unto men; Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the*  
(reward) \_\_\_\_\_ *of the (inheritance) \_\_\_\_\_*  
\_\_\_\_\_; *for ye serve the Lord Christ.* Colossians 3:22-24

6. Information Application: Please re-read Colossians 3:22-24 using your dissected and defined meanings. Rewrite in your own words (paraphrase) what these verses mean 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 Philippians 3:13-15.

“Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. Let us therefore, as many as be perfect, be thus minded: and if in any thing ye be otherwise minded, God shall reveal even this unto you.”  
Philippians 3:13-15

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\_\_\_\_\_ those things which are behind, and  
reaching forth unto those things which are before, I (press)  
\_\_\_\_\_ toward the (mark) \_\_\_\_\_  
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8. Information Application: Please re-read Philippians 3:13-15 using your dissected and defined meanings. Rewrite in your own words (paraphrase) what these verses mean 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 Revelation 3:15-16 .

“I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.”  
Revelation 3:15-16

*I (know) \_\_\_\_\_ thy (works)*  
*\_\_\_\_\_, that thou art neither (cold)*  
*\_\_\_\_\_ nor (hot): \_\_\_\_\_*  
*I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art (lukewarm)*  
*\_\_\_\_\_, and neither*  
*cold nor hot, I will (spue) \_\_\_\_\_ thee*  
*out of my mouth.”* Revelation 3:15-16

10. Information Application: Please re-read Revelation 3:15-16 using your dissected and defined meanings. Rewrite in your own words (paraphrase) what these verses mean 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. Participation in an Expression of Enthusiasm:

Please list three difficult or discouraging situations in which you chose to respond enthusiastically:

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Please express the results you sensed, or others saw, as a result of your enthusiastic responses to these difficult circumstances. Do you feel that you positively influenced others and, as a result, the outcome of the situation by your enthusiastic response?

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## 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 exhibit enthusiasm. While under these circumstances you may find yourself submitting to this fruit or rejecting those circumstances in a way that may exhibit apathy. When we “try hard to do better,” we often fail and become somewhat self-focused. When we learn to yield to God’s power we will find it rather easy to demonstrate His reality to others with that unusual zeal.

We have learned that when God gives us strength, we react by being zealous of good works through His grace. When our relationship with the Lord is weak, we often become passive towards the needs of hurting people and become apathetic in our Christian lives.. After learning these truths, how have you found yourself responding to these opportunities:

- ☐ I usually exhibit the fruit of Righteousness—Enthusiasm.
- ☐ I struggle with yielding to the work of Self-Righteousness—Apathy.

How do you think you can improve your submission to this fruit without having to “try any harder?” \_\_\_\_\_

### **FOR THE DISCIPLER’S USE ONLY:**

1. Do you feel your student understands the meaning of the fruit of Righteousness—Enthusiasm and the devil’s offsetting work of Apathy?  
Yes or No
2. Would you feel their grasp on these two alternative actions and reactions are:  
Strong      Strengthening      Adequate      Minimal      Weak
3. Do you believe this student responds somewhat consistently with Enthusiasm when given opportunity to “demonstrate to others the reality of God’s remarkable grace?”  
Often      Sometimes      Seldom      Never
4. Do you believe this student is ready to progress to the next fruit test of Hospitality?      Yes      or      No
5. If yes, what leads you to feel this way? \_\_\_\_\_