

**SAVOURING OUR SAVIOUR
RIPE 'N' READY
GENTLENESS**

One translation of what Jesus says in (Matthew 5:5) tells us ***“God blesses those who are gentle.***

The whole earth will belong to them!”

Meekness and gentleness are synonymous in the Bible and far from meaning weakness must be understood as strength that is under control.

Q. CAN you think of a time when someone was gentle with you, and WHAT the impact was you felt, it had on you?

Q. WHEN have you had need to be gentle with someone, and HOW did you

Q. Look up the verses below and DISCUSS together WHY gentleness is so important and WHAT it does to benefit the situations we might ourselves in?

(Proverbs 15:1)

(Colossians 3:19)

(Proverbs 25:15b) Which the Message helpfully translates ***“A gentle word can get through to the hard-headed.”***

(1 Peter 3:4)

(1 Peter 3:15)

(Matthew 11:28-29)

(Titus 3:2) in one version I read says,

“Believers should never speak evil of anyone, nor be quarrelsome. Instead, they should be gentle & show courtesy to everyone.”

- Q.** Having discussed those verses, **WHERE** might I need this fruit of the spirit to be more evident in my own life?
- Q.** The world as we know it belongs to those who have the money, the might, and the missiles, yet we began with the words of Jesus (Matthew 5:5) promising the **MEEK** will inherit the earth. **WHY** Is that?

Gentleness, being a fruit of the Holy Spirit then, is trusting God in every circumstance and treating people like we do.

- Q.** **HOW** can we be gentle in our own lives for the Lord?

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