

**A Traveler's Guide: Gospel Root back to Fruit**

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Rom 1:16-17; 1 Jn 1:9; 1 Pet 1:13;2:2-3,9; Eph 4:11-16; 2 Cor 3:18 Pastor Mark Turner

**What is the Gospel?**

- Rom 1;16-17, Not a set of works but FAITH
- We have been saved from the penalty of sin because of Jesus' life and death
- We are being saved from the power of sin because of Jesus' resurrection
- We will be saved from the presence of sin because of Jesus' return
- Key element of Gospel Faith is IDENTITY in Christ Rom 3:21-25 what God has done
- Identity reminds me what God is doing in me by Faith: 2 Cor 5:21; Gal 2:20
- We too often live as unbelievers. Paul to Galatians 1:6-10
- Remember your identity and the power of the Gospel: Ephesians 1:3-7

**How to stay Gospel Fluent: Fruit to Root Exercise** Gal 5:19-25

1. What am I doing or experiencing right now?
2. In light of what I'm doing or experiencing, what do I believe about myself?
3. What do I believe God is doing or has done?
4. What do I believe God is like?

**How to be Gospel Fluent, Root to Gospel Fruit:**

- Start with basic questions of good Bible Study
- What Peter exhorts: 1 Pet 1:13; 2:2-3,9
- Why we are placed in a Church: Eph 4:11-16: as we attain perfect humanity. Being changed into Christ's glory 2 Cor 3:18

**1. Who is God?**

*Think God's Character*

**2. What has God done?**

*Think God's Sure Work for me!*

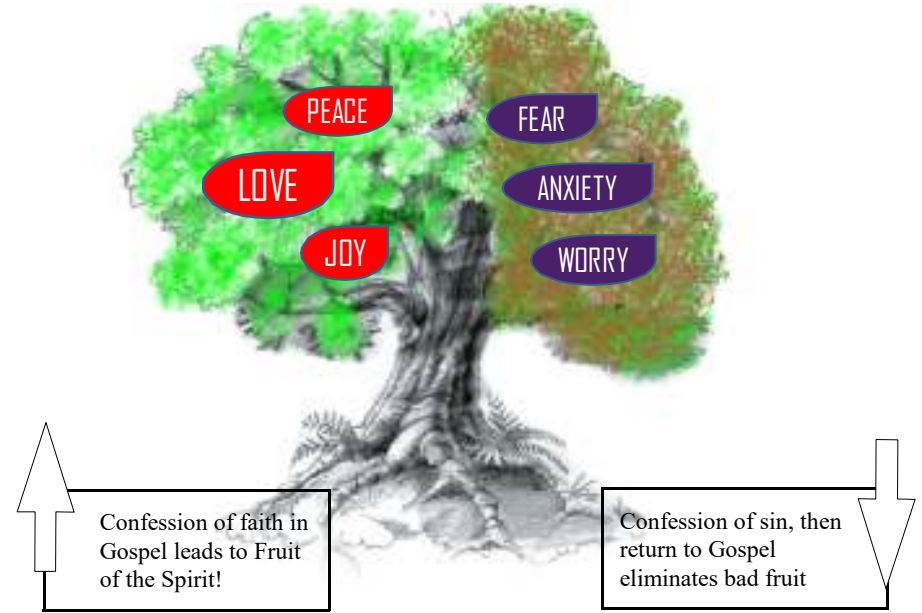
**3. Who am I in light of God's work?**

*Think 'My New identity in the Gospel'*

**4. How should I then live in light of who I am?**

*Think God's Commands are not burdensome*

**Gospel Root to Gospel Fruit Exercise**  
 Gospel Fluent Gal 5:22-25  
 Gospel Unbelief Gal 5:19-21



**From ROOT to Fruit Exercise:** Use Gospel Truth to teach yourself to walk in New Obedience because of your Identity in Christ.

Area of unbelief or Struggle---->	Write it out in all its glory 2 Cor 3:18
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What has God done? <i>Think God's Sure Work for me!</i>	
Who am I in light of God's work? <i>Think 'My New identity in the Gospel'</i>	
How should I then live in light of who I am? <i>Think God's Commands are not burdensome</i>	