



SERIES: Getting Ripe With God **PREACHER:** Jim Firth

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QUESTION #1

In this message, what resonated with you?

QUESTION #2

Was there anything you wrestled with?

QUESTION #3

God intends to be your primary influence, guiding and shaping your life. If you're putting anything above God, you aren't letting God lead you. How do we know if we are led by the Holy Spirit?

QUESTION #4

Jim says it's often easy to be kind to strangers because, unlike close friends and family, we don't have to bear with them for very long. Have you found this to be true in your own life?

QUESTION #5

Read Galatians 5:13-15 below.

What does it mean to be free as a Christian? What is an example of "serving one another in love"? How does that differ from "bite and devour each other"?

Galatians 5:13-15, NIV

You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love. For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other. So I say walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh.

QUESTION #6

Jim says niceness is a counterfeit of kindness. What is the difference between niceness and kindness? Can you be kind without being nice, or nice without being kind?

QUESTION #7

Read Colossians 3:13-15 below. How can we choose to be thankful even in a stressful situation?

Colossians 3:13-15, NIV

Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.

QUESTION #8

In Matthew 15, a Gentile woman came to Jesus asking him to heal her daughter. Talk about this exchange. How did he respond to her? How is she an example of bold faith, persistence, and humility?