

**October 25 / Sunday**

**Sharing What You've Found**

Read [Matthew 25:14-29](#)



**26 / Mon – Well done** | Read [Matthew 25:14-29](#) / [Galatians 5:22-23](#)

This familiar parable is often used to encourage Christians to be generous with money or skills or talents in the arts. But it is about so much more. Jesus is teaching his followers it is not how *much* you are given but what you *do* with what you have. As you read this story again, substitute *fruit* for *gold*. What do you think God wants you to do with what the Holy Spirit is growing in you?

**27 / Tue – Where to get more** | Read [2 Corinthians 9:8](#)

If you have ever planted tomatoes, you may have noticed the more you pick, the more the plants produce. In fact, this might be why tomato soup, spaghetti sauce and salsa, were invented. A person with more than they could use found creative ways to share the extras. When you feel that you aren't growing like you want to, how does this verse encourage you?

**28 / Wed – Start here...** | Read [Romans 12:10](#) / [Proverbs 17:22](#) / [Psalms 34:14](#)

Read these verses and then list some practical ways you can share these fruits with others.

Love -

Joy -

Peace -

**29 / Thu – Next...** | Read [Proverbs 19:11](#) / [Prov. 12:25](#) / [Hebrews 13:16](#) / [Galatians 6:9-10](#)

As you read these verses, what ideas come to mind on how you could act toward others?

Patience -

Kindness -

Good deeds -

**30 / Fri – Finally...** | Read [Proverbs 20:6](#) / [Titus 3:2](#) / [Proverbs 16:32](#)

What insights do you get from these verses on ways you can demonstrate these qualities?

Faithfulness -

Gentleness -

Self-control -

**31 / Sat – Looking back** | Read [Matthew 25:40](#)

How has your week of fruit distribution gone? If it has been a challenge living out some of these qualities because of difficult people or difficult situations, remember it is the Holy Spirit's work that produces the fruit when you obey. And even if people don't react positively to your efforts, there's one Person who knows and is blessed. Don't give up on sharing what you've been given.