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The ATTITUDES of Jesus that produce the CHARACTER of Jesus

ATTRIBUTE (You)

PURE IN HEART > > > LOVE

Desire to be blameless

- Be free of selfish intentions
- Singleness of focus to please God
 - Develop a right spirit
- Be transparent with no hidden motives Accept God's refining fire/pruning Keep your thoughts/desires pure Keep your promises; Have integrity
 - Seek God with your whole heart

POOR IN SPIRIT > > > JOY

- Become a humble person 2 Recognize you are helpless spiritually 2 Be grieved about your sins/condition Free yourself of self-righteousness
- Be aware of my unworthiness/inadeauacies Cry out for God's mercy

 - Recognize your spiritual poverty

Grieve over my sins 3 Crying releases emotional burdens 3 God promises life in your afflictions 3 Repent of your sins Pain may be about my issues Godly grief produces repentance When you share your arief, it is halved Comfort those who need comfort

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- Have a contrite heart 2 12 Rid yourself of pride
- 13 13
- Mourning will be wiped away

- Bear no arudae: Love sacrificially Others' needs are areater than your own Love God with all your heart, mind, soul Lav down your life for your friends 11 Do good to your enemies Develop a selfless love 11
- 21 Love covers all offenses
- 21 Love your neighbor as yourself
- 21 Love is the highest goal to have for your life
- Be glad for your salvation/deliverance A joyful heart is good medicine God will give you more grace God has plans for your welfare Deliverance from your enemies See God work in your struggles/hardships 22 God will wipe away your tears
- 22 Knowing you are saved from Hell
- 22 The Holy Spirit will be your counselor

MOURNING > > > **PEACE**

- Not an enemy of God God heals the brokenhearted Don't be anxious; God will provide Be at peace with God Be content with what you have
 - God will comfort you in your trials
 - 23 Jesus' voke is easy, burden is light
 - 23 Desire to live at peace with everyone
 - 23 Keep your mind stayed on God

The key to the fruitful life is to remain in the "true vine" (John 15:5). Stay connected to Jesus (being diligent in studying your Bible) and be 'aware' of the Spirit working in your life. Those who abide will "produce much fruit"—a life that will glorify God, and one that He will be 'happy' with and bless you for. [Dates: 10, 20, 30].

ACTION (Others)

Don't act hastily: Have controlled restraint

Don't give up: You will reap in due season

God was patient with you; Do so to others

God will reward you for enduring /doing right

Be steadfast in difficult circumstances

Slow to anaer aujets contention

24 Endurance produces character, hope

24 Steadfastness produces strong faith

24 Don't avenae vourself: God will handle it

Have benevolent, tender concern for all

25 Evidence of the Holy Spirit working in you

Your good works demonstrate your faith

Goodness is virtue and holiness in action

Diligently seeking to do good receives favor

Alleviate suffering and mitigate wrongs

God's goodness is expressed through you

26 Develop a pure and virtuous character

26 Yielding to the Spirit produces goodness

26 Look for ways to benefit others

25 Soften the harshness around you

25 Lend, expecting nothing in return

Hold fast to what is good

PERSECUTED > > > PATIENCE

- Don't fight against evil: Turn other cheek 4 Hardship stimulates resolve, support 4 God will strengthen you in your trials 4 Don't be surprised by confrontations 14 God will rescue you in your trials 14 Godliness generates antagonism, reaction 14 Trials test, strenathen, mature your faith
- Don't compromise Biblical principles Be hold for Jesus: Don't be ashamed

MERCIFUL > > > KINDNESS

- God's mercy withholds just punishment 5 Do good to your enemies; Forgive Make allowances for others' faults 5 Benefits others, as well as yourself Not aetting something bad you do deserve 5 Getting something good you don't deserve Forgive others as God forgave you God will repay you for your generosity 15 Do good to those in need It's more blessed to give than receive
 - Mercy helps heal wounds
 - Mercy triumphs over judgement
 - Be genuinely compassionate to others Be a "Good Samaritan"

RIGHTEOUSNESS >>> **GOODNESS**

- Being right with God: Free from sin's power 6 Desire to be blameless; Speak thoughtfully 6 Diligently avoid sinning 6
 - Have a hunger to know God
 - 16 Help deliver others from oppression
 - Humbly seek God's continual presence Desire to please God: Do His will Desire holiness more than indulgence
 - Totally surrender to Jesus' Lordship
- God's agal for the Christian is to conform us into the likeness of lesus—in our character, conversations, and conduct-such that when we meet someone they sense that they have experienced the love of lesus! [Dates: 10, 20, 30].

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ATTITUDE (Jesus)

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PEACEMAKER > > > **FAITHFULNESS**

- Resolve conflicts: Reconcile adversaries 7
- Jesus reconciled you to God 7
- Help people get right with God
- Unite the divided: Promote understanding
 - Fix the problem, not the blame
- Resolve problems with God's truth Faithfully bring forth justice Desire to live in peace with everyone
- Peace is the presence of righteousness

Think of others better than yourself Not weak: Strength under control

- Have a tender heart and a tough skin 8 Get rid of all filthy wickedness 8
- Righteous anger; Tender without surrender
- Bear no arudaes: Don't defend vourself Give preference to others; Be gracious Don't cave in on your convictions Show perfect courtesy toward all people

INSULTED > > **SELF-CONTROL**

- Don't be shocked: Develops your character 9
- Entrust yourself to God, Who judges justly 9
- Refuse to retaliate: God will repay
- God will give you joy during afflictions
- Focus on Heaven and eternal blessings
- Seek God's wisdom for how to react React to stressful situations slowly Relinguish your will to the Holy Spirit
- The body is a good servant but bad master
- Control your focus: Master your feelings 29 Practice self-denial, self-sacrifice
- 29 Gain control by surrendering control to God
- 29 Gives you liberty to live God's plans for you
- "He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully" [2 Corinthians 9:6]. It's been said that if you "Sow a thought and you reap an action; sow an action and you reap a habit; sow a habit and you reap a character; sow a character and you reap a destiny." That would be eternity in Heaven with God! [Dates: 10, 20, 30].

27 Imitate Jesus' faithfulness (the Cross) MEEKNESS > > > GENTLENESS Forego your rights to benefit others 8

- Be slow to speak, quick to listen

Be clear about the holiness of God Correct others with easiness 18 18

- Gentle speech breaks down rigid defenses
- 28 Don't be divisive; Accept correction
- 28 Free of malice and a condescendina spirit
- A soft answer turns away wrath

 - 28 Have a quiet, peaceable spirit

God will work everything out for good

God blesses the faithful servant

Show your faith by your works

You walk by faith, not by sight

27 Rely upon God for your moral convictions

27 Be trustworthy, loyal, and dependable

Have a strong sense of duty

Imitate God's faithfulness to you to others

- Never pay back evil with more evil
- Suffering for Jesus has great spiritual value
- God uses this to fashion you for His Kinadom Greater the insults, the greater the rewards
- Frees you from a quilty conscience
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