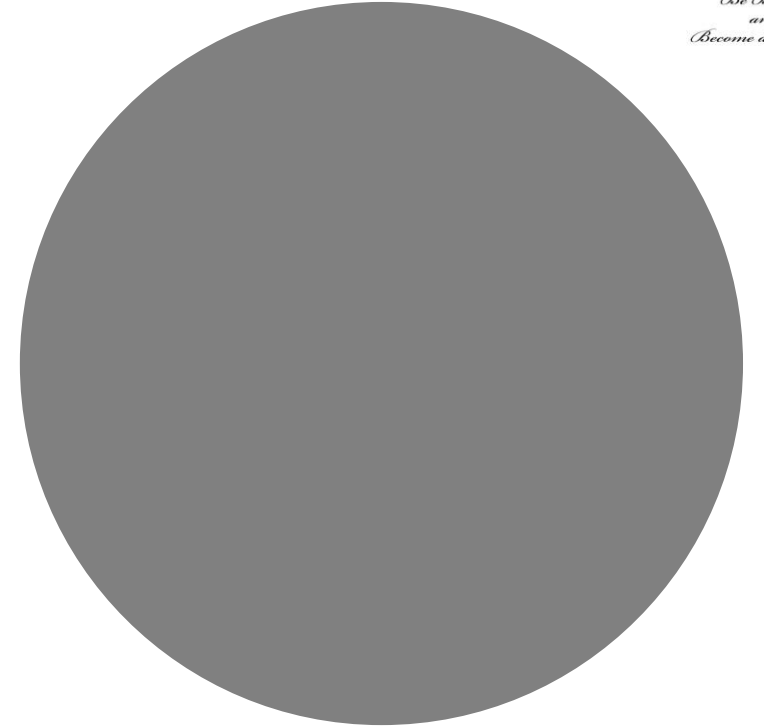


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HOLY Spirit

Gal 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.



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FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT IS LOVE

- Joy is love exulting
- Peace is love reposing
- Longsuffering is love enduring
- Gentleness is love in refinement
- Meekness is love with bowed head
- Goodness is love in action
- Temperance is love obeying
- Faith is love confiding (All About the Holy Spirit, Herbert Lockyer, 167)

John 15

- **5** “I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.

Love

Love is a personal quality

Love can only come from a loving entity, a person

Love cannot be generated from an impersonal force, a non-living entity, a power!

Influence of the Holy Spirit is a personal influence

Holy Spirit should be identified with a person – not an impersonal force.

Romans 15

- ³⁰ I urge you, brothers and sisters, by our Lord Jesus Christ and by the love of the Spirit, to join me in my struggle by praying to God for me.

- *Spirit has / is Love*
- *Contrast: Jesus Christ / Spirit*
- *Love is generating/ producing love in us*

Romans 8

- ² Because of what Christ Jesus has done, you are free. You are now controlled by the law of the Holy Spirit who gives you life... v. 10
Though your body will die because of sin, the Spirit gives you life ...



HOW CAN GOD BE THREE AND ONE?

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