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THE ROYAL GARDEN



The stone path from The Veranda leads you to a grand arched trellis of roses at the entrance of the Royal Garden. The sights...the sounds...the unspeakable aroma. It is holy ground!

Now that you've been cleansed and wear robes of purity, in this place you meet with the Majestic Holy One. He shows you the divine fruit that hangs in His orchard and it's unlike anything you've ever seen before. It's breathtaking!

You realize the endless supply of supernatural fruits—the fruits of the Spirit—can only be consumed in an abiding relationship with Jesus. Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness & self-control...go ahead, taste them! Leave behind the rotten fruit of this world...the desires of the flesh... and let the Spirit guide you. Through Him you will also bear much fruit!



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The grateful preparation of your heart and the difficult examination of sin is necessary to meet our holy Creator. When you truly confess and agree with God about your sin(s), it will lead you to repentance. With a true perspective of grace and the act of turning away from your sin, you can be confident that God is faithful to forgive and cleanse you from all unrighteousness. Bask in His forgiveness; He remembers your sins no more, and **you must do the same.**

Now that you wear a fresh robe of purity, you are ready to meet your Creator. With a grateful heart and unadulterated praise on your lips, you enter the Royal Garden, a holy place where you and God communicate in perfect harmony. Nothing hinders this conversation. No sin stands in the way. This is where your relationship with God flourishes.

In the Royal Garden, you realize you are on holy ground. Your awareness is magnified knowing Jesus has intimate knowledge of you, an unending willingness to care for you, and an infinite ability to help you. This is where you seek help and wisdom, and you bring Jesus your troubles. Jesus knows your heart, so if your words fail you in the indescribable presence of His Majesty, the Holy Spirit will intercede for you to translate your deepest feelings into heavenly words of praise.

As you stroll through the Royal Garden with your Savior, His divine orchard is revealed. He introduces you to the fruits of the Spirit...fruits unlike any others in the world you've known; fruits that can only be grown in the heavenly kingdom. These supernatural, perfect fruits can only be consumed when abiding with Jesus. These fruits are glorious, enjoyable, and gratifyingly divine. They are the very characteristics of Jesus: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is an endless supply of fruit in His garden. Can you taste each one? Go ahead...sample them.

Abide in Jesus. It's the only way to leave the rotten fruits of this world behind and reach for the eternal fruits of His kingdom...the only fruits that will satisfy. Yes, you get to experience these divine fruits now! You don't have to wait. It's another gift of grace He has given you.

Don't forget that His grace is sufficient, and He empowers you to do what you may tend to think is impossible...the partaking of and bearing of much fruit—His righteous fruit! **“Those who belong to Christ Jesus have nailed the passions and desire of their sinful nature to His cross and crucified them there. Since we are living by the Spirit, let us follow the Spirit's leading in every part of our lives.”** (Galatians 5:24-25).

As you savor His fruits, continue walking with Jesus to the next stop where He shows you some of the other special places in the Royal Garden. You can talk to God at these prayer stations, and each of them illustrates a specific prayer emphasis. However, these are only a few of God's provisions that you can experience with Him when you visit the Royal Garden. You will discover many more as you continue your journey toward an intimate relationship with your Lord and Savior. Be excited!