

MARK OF A TRUE CHRISTIAN

Rom. 12:9-21

1. LOVE.
 1. By this shall all men know ye are my disciples.
 2. Let love be without dissimulation (hidden feelings, motives by pretense; hypocrisy).

2. FERVENT IN SPIRIT.
 1. Hot; warmth of spirit; devoted.
 2. Serving the Lord with all our hearts; with excitement.
 3. Earnest fervent prayer of righteous man availeth much.
 4. Rejoicing in hope.

3. PATIENT IN TRIBULATION.
 1. Ro. 5:3 - *"...knowing that tribulation worketh patience."*

4. CONTINUING INSTANT IN PRAYER.

5. ATTITUDES OF A TRUE CHRISTIAN.
 1. Attitude toward our enemies.
 1. Bless them that persecute you; bless and curse not.
 2. Recompense no man evil for evil.
 3. If thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink--in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head.
 4. Avenge not yourselves.
 1. Give not place unto wrath.
 2. Vengeance is mine; I will repay saith the Lord.
 3. Hold your peace; let the Lord fight your battles.

2. Attitude toward sin.
 1. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good.
 2. Give no place to the devil.
 3. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.
 4. Shun the very appearance of evil.
 5. Let not your good be evil spoken of.
3. Attitude toward the saints.
 1. Be kindly affectioned (tenderly loving) one to another with brotherly love.
 2. In honor preferring one another.
 1. More concerned about others' welfare than our own.
 2. Not being self-centered; selfish; not needing to be the center of attention.
 3. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate (humility).
 4. Identifying with the feelings of others.
 1. Rejoice with those that rejoice.
 2. Weep with those that weep.
6. NOT SLOTHFUL IN BUSINESS.
 1. Conduct business in upright manner with integrity.
 2. Owe no man anything.