

# “Meaning of the words Listed in Galatians”

(Galatians 5:19-23)

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**Introduction:** Words according to the 1828 Webster Dictionary

## 1. Works of the Flesh Gal. 5:19-21

- a. **Adultery:** Violation of the marriage bed; a crime, or a civil injury, which introduces, or may introduce, into a family, a spurious offspring.
- b. **Fornication:** The incontinence or lewdness of unmarried persons, male or female.
- c. **Uncleaness:** Foulness, dirtiness, filthiness. Want of ritual or ceremonial purity. Moral impurity; defilement by sin, sinfulness.
- d. **Lasciviousness:** Looseness; irregular indulgence of animal desires, wantonness; lustfulness, tendency to excite lust.
- e. **Idolatry:** The worship of idols, images, or anything made by hands or which is not of God.
- f. **Witchcraft:** The practice of witches, sorcery; enchantments, intercourse with the devil. Powers more than natural.
- g. **Hatred:** Great dislike or aversions to; hate; enmity. It may spring from offenses or injuries done by fellow men, or from envy or jealousy.
- h. **Variance:** Difference that produces dispute or controversy; disagreement; dissension; discord.
- i. **Emulations:** The act of attempting to equal or excel in qualities or actions; rivalry; desire of superiority, attended with effort to attain to it.
- j. **Wrath:** Violent anger; vehement exasperation; indignation;
- k. **Strife:** Exertion or contention for superiority; contest of emulation, either by intellectual or physical efforts.
- l. **Seditions:** A factious commotion of the people, or a tumultuous assembly of men rising in opposition to law or the administration of justice, and in disturbance of the public peace.

- m. **Heresies:** A fundamental error in religion, or an error of opinion respecting some fundamental doctrine of religion.
- n. **Envyng:** Mortification experienced at the supposed prosperity and happiness of another. Ill will at others on account of supposed superiority.
- o. **Murders:** To kill a human being with premeditated malice. To destroy;
- p. **Drunkeness:** Intoxication, inebriation; a state in which a person is overwhelmed or overpowered with spirituous liquors, so that his reasoning is disordered, and he staggers in walking.
- q. **Revellings:** Feasting with noisy merriment; carousing.

## 2. Fruit of the Spirit Galatians 5:22-23

- a. **Love:** In a general sense to be pleased with; to regard with affection, on account of some qualities which excite pleasing sensations or desire of gratification.
- b. **Joy:** To rejoice; to be glad;
- c. **Peace:** In a general sense, a state of quiet or tranquility; freedom from disturbance or agitation; applicable to society, to individuals, or to the temper of the mind. Heavenly rest; the happiness of heaven.
- d. **Longsuffering:** Long endurance, patience of offense.
- e. **Gentleness:** Softness of manners, mildness of temper; sweetness of disposition, meekness.
- f. **Goodness:** The moral qualities which constitute value, excellence; moral virtue;
- g. **Faith:** In theology, the assent of the mind or understanding of the truth of what God has revealed. Simple belief of the scriptures, of the being and perfections of God and of the existence, character and doctrines of Christ, founded on the sacred writers is called...faith.
- h. **Meekness:** In an evangelical sense, humility, resignation, submission to the divine will, without murmuring.; opposed to pride, arrogance and refractoriness.
- i. **Temperance:** Patience; calmness; sedateness; moderation of passions.