

# THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

Longsuffering

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## What is it?

- To be of a long spirit
- Not to lose heart
- To persevere patiently and bravely
- Slow to anger
- Slow to punish
- Enduring misfortunes and troubles
- To be mild and slow in avenging

- *Thayer's Lexicon*







# God Showed Longsuffering

- \* In the days of Noah
- \* In the days of Moses
- \* With the Jews
- \* With Paul

# We Have to be Longsuffering With People

- \* If we are God's preachers and teachers
- \* To maintain unity of the Spirit in the congregation
- \* If we want others to be longsuffering
- \* If we want God to be longsuffering with us

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