

The Fruit of Humility

- All presumed “rights”, “privileges” and “entitlements” surrendered.
- Willing to be rejected.
- Transparent: willing to share weaknesses.
- Not having to prove you are right.
- Recognizing inadequacy in old strategies.
- Trusting in Christ’s adequacy, His strength.
- Obedience out of a love motive because you want to, not because you have to.
- Willing for the Lord to fulfill you, rather than demanding fulfillment from your mate or your performance.
- Trusting that God is your refuge, even with external turmoil.
- Willing to serve and build up your mate, esteeming him/her better than yourself.
- Willing to fail or appear a failure.
- A readiness to let others receive credit.
- Willing to be humbled; to receive your mate with his/her imperfections.
- Willing to receive your trial as God’s instrument to perfect you.
- Willing not be defensive or to justify yourself.
- Willing not to speculate or “mind read” motives.
- Relinquishing control, fixing and directing.
- Willing to be misunderstood.
- Willing to become “of no reputation”.

(from the book, Marriage, The Journey by Anne Trippe)