

## **“Be Ready and Be Fruitful”**      March 24, 2019

Based on Luke 13:1-9 (NIV)      Neil Peck, preaching

† **Suffering is not a form of punishment from God.**

† **For Jesus, real sin is not bearing fruit when I have been given the responsibility to do so.**

† **The gardener is a voice of mercy.**

† **God wants me to repent.**

† **I need to share Christ with other people.**

† **Lent allows me to examine my own behaviors and make the changes I need to make.**

1) I must acknowledge my need for God.

2) I must confess my sins.

3) I must accept God’s forgiveness and lay claim to God’s love.

4) I must re-examine my priorities and patterns of activity.

5) I must bear “fruit”.

### **Applying Today’s Message to My Life:**

† What changes do I want to make in my life?

† What changes does God want me to make in my life?

† What do I need to repent (turn away from sin)?

† What “fruit” am I growing?

† How am I sharing my ‘fruit’ with others?