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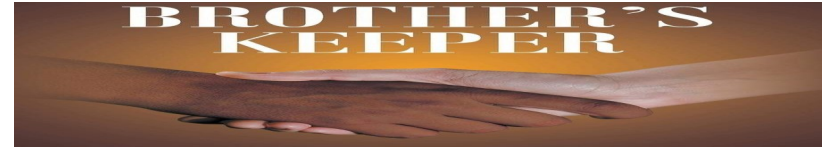
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Such kindness is more than courtesy; it is **mercy made fragrant**, a **holy sweetness** that lingers in the lives it touches. Kindness **comes from the fruit of the Spirit of God not me or you**.

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