


HOW TO LIVE THE GOOD LIFE

Won't You Be My Neighbor: Part 6

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*“But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, **GOODNESS...**” (Galatians 5:22–23, NLT)*



"TRY YOUR BEST TO MAKE
GOODNESS ATTRACTIVE. THAT'S ONE
OF THE TOUGHEST ASSIGNMENTS
YOU'LL EVER BE GIVEN."

Mister Rogers

WHY BE GOOD?

1. The inward reason: Because I need to LIKE MYSELF.

“Paul looked straight at the Sanhedrin and said, “My brothers, I have fulfilled my duty to God in all good conscience to this day.”” (Acts 23:1, NIV)

2. The outward reason: Because my life is a LESSON.

“Join together in following my example, brothers and sisters, and just as you have us as a model, keep your eyes on those who live as we do.” (Philippians 3:17, NIV)

3. The upward reason: Because there will be a FINAL.

“[God] will judge everyone according to what they have done. He will give eternal life to those who keep on doing good...” (Romans 2:6–7, NLT)

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1. I must BECOME GOOD before I can be good.

“I know that good does not live in me—that is, in my human nature. For even though the desire to do good is in me, I am not able to do it.” (Romans 7:18, GNB)

“Barnabas was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and strong in faith. And many people were brought to the Lord.” (Acts 11:24, NLT)

2. I must learn THE DIFFERENCE between good and evil.

“But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil.” (Hebrews 5:14, NIV84)

3. I must **DO GOOD** whenever and wherever I can.

“Don’t let evil get the upper hand, but conquer evil by doing good.” (Romans 12:21, The Living Bible)

“He gave his life to free us from every kind of sin, to cleanse us, and to make us his very own people, totally committed to doing good deeds.” (Titus 2:14, NLT)

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