

FRUIT *of*  
*the* SPIRIT



*The fruit of the Spirit is*  
**LOVE, JOY, PEACE,**  
**PATIENCE, KINDNESS,**  
**GOODNESS, FAITHFULNESS,**  
**GENTLENESS & SELF-CONTROL.**



GALATIANS 5:22-23





# GOODNESS

A right heart and right living towards others.

## MATTHEW 19:16–17

16 Just then, a man came up to Jesus. He asked, “Teacher, what good thing must I do to receive eternal life?”

17 “Why do you ask me about what is good?” Jesus replied. “There is only one who is good. If you want to enter the kingdom, obey the commandments.”

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## MATTHEW 7:17–18

17 In the same way, every good tree bears good fruit. But a bad tree bears bad fruit.

18 A good tree can't bear bad fruit. And a bad tree can't bear good fruit.

## **MATTHEW 12:34–35**

34 You nest of poisonous snakes! How can you who are evil say anything good? Your mouths say everything that is in your hearts. 35 A good man says good things. These come from the good that is stored up inside him. An evil man says evil things. These come from the evil that is stored up inside him.

## **ROMANS 7:18–19**

18 I know there is nothing good in my desires controlled by sin. I want to do what is good, but I can't. 19 I don't do the good things I want to do. I keep on doing the evil things I don't want to do.

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## **EPHESIANS 2:10**

10 For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

## **2 CORINTHIANS 9:8**

8 And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

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## **GALATIANS 6:10**

10 Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.

## **JOHN 13:35**

35 If you love one another, everyone will know you are my disciples.”

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## **GALATIANS 6:9**

9 Let us not become tired of doing good. At the right time we will gather a crop if we don't give up.

## **1 PETER 3:13–17**

13 Who is going to hurt you if you really want to do good? 14 But suppose you do suffer for doing what is right. Even then you will be blessed. Scripture says, “Don't fear what others say they will do to hurt you. Don't be afraid.”

## 1 PETER 3:13–17

15 But make sure that in your hearts you honor Christ as Lord. Always be ready to give an answer to anyone who asks you about the hope you have. Be ready to give the reason for it. But do it gently and with respect.

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16 Live so that you don't have to feel you've done anything wrong. Some people may say evil things about your good conduct as believers in Christ. If they do, they will be put to shame for speaking like this about you.

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17 God may want you to suffer for doing good. That's better than suffering for doing evil.

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## EPHESIANS 5:8–10

8 At one time you were in the dark. But now you are in the light because of what the Lord has done. Live like children of the light. 9 The light produces what is completely good, right and true. 10 Find out what pleases the Lord.

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# FRUITFUL REFLECTION

- 1) How does your heart need to be made right?
- 2) How are you encouraged that God has prepared good works for you?
- 3) Who in your life needs to receive goodness from you?
- 4) How can you look forward to the rewards of good works?

