

The Fruit of the Spirit: Goodness

Romans 15.14; Ephesians 5.9; 2 Thessalonians 1.11

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Introduction:

I. Goodness is moral

Righteousness is not a _____

II. Goodness is active

Righteousness is not p_____

III. Goodness is beneficial

Righteousness is not s_____

IV. Goodness is balance

Righteousness is not a o_____ way thing

V. Goodness is fulfilled purpose

Righteousness is not a “___-___” list

Conclusion:

Questions for reflection or small group discussion

- We have studied five of the fruit of the Spirit. Can you name them in the order they appear in scripture?
- How do you define goodness?
- Can you give examples of the goodness of Jesus?
- Name some person you know who is good?
- Would other people describe you as moral? Why?
- Why is it important that goodness is active?
- How does goodness make us different from others?
- Could I be good all by myself? Why/why not?
- Paul says we are to “speak the truth in love” (Ephesians 4.15). How is that helpful in understanding goodness?
- Can you list some of the pairs of values that goodness holds in balance?
- What is your purpose in life?
- How do you know when you are fulfilling that purpose?
- How could thinking about goodness as a fruit of the Spirit in you change your actions this week?
- Will you pray asking God the Holy Spirit to fill you with goodness in your life?