

WORD OF THE DAY



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"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance(patience), kindness, **goodness**, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law." - NIV

MEDITATE ON THIS (**GOODNESS**)



The Sixth Fruit of the Spirit is Goodness. As Christians we often say that God is good, and this goodness we say is all the time. This means that nothing that God does is evil, corrupt, perverted or less than the standard that it should. Regarding being an attribute of God, [we can look at goodness as excellence in the quality of one's behavior](#). When we say that God is good, we are stating that there is an excellent and supreme quality of all that flows from God's behaviors. God always does what is right(good).

A matter of quality. Let us reflect on the perspective of goodness in terms of the **quality** of one's behavior. It is true that we all desire **quality**. When you buy fruit from the grocery store you want quality apples that are ripe and good. You want peaches that are good and not rotten. When you buy a certified used car, you are looking for a "good" car, one that is of great **quality**. If the apple or peach that you are buying is filled with rotten spots, or if the used car that you are purchasing has an engine problem, these defects will impact the **quality** of those items. The rotten spots will impact the quality of taste in the fruits and the engine issue will impact the **quality** of performance in the car.

Good like God. A man may not show goodness when dealing with money due to issues of greed which cause him to steal and cheat, a lady may not show good actions in a relationship due to issues of lust. A child may not show good behavior to his parents due to issues of disobedience. And a student may not show good behaviors in class due to issues related to a lack of attention and focus. Goodness as an attribute of God means that there are no defects; God has nothing interfering with the quality of His actions. They are not impacted by sin, or selfish motives, or corrupt thinking. As children of God, our heavenly Father wants us to be good like Him. Meaning that God wants our actions to be from a place of benevolence, unimpeded by our corrupt sin nature. When the Holy Spirit comes to dwell in us, this attribute of goodness starts to take form, and we are continuously transformed to be higher and higher in the quality of our actions - radiating goodness in our conduct.

-Your brother in Christ, **WNL**

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

God is good all the time.

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Dear God, thank you for your goodness. Please help me to grow in this attribute of my faith and be higher and higher in the quality of my character, doing what is right in your eyes. In Jesus name I pray. Amen.



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