

# KINGDOM CHARACTER

*Becoming Like Jesus*

## Kingdom Character: GOODNESS (Week 7)

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### Worship:

**Song:** *Goodness of God*

As you worship, reflect on how you've experienced God's goodness in your life.

### Check-in:

From the song we just sang: *"All my life You have been faithful, all my life You have been so, so good."*

- Take a moment to pray that back to God as a thanksgiving prayer.
- Or, if you prefer, share one area where you have seen God's goodness recently.

### Synopsis of message:

This week we looked at the fruit of the Spirit: **Goodness** (Galatians 5:22 - 23).

The Greek word for goodness means **uprightness of heart and life**.

Goodness is what happens when God takes what's been knocked down and sets it upright again.

Salvation makes us righteous before God, but the Spirit grows goodness in us here on earth.

### Three ways goodness happens:

1. **Goodness happens in relationships.** Real life change happens with God's people.
2. **Goodness happens through honesty.** God is drawn to honesty, not perfection. Confession brings freedom and healing.
3. **Goodness happens by the work of the Holy Spirit.** He gives us a new heart, transforms us, and fills us daily.

### Scripture Focus:

- Galatians 5:22 - 23
- Philippians 2:12 - 13
- 2 Corinthians 5:21
- James 5:16
- Ezekiel 36:26 - 27

### Discussion Questions:

1. **God's Goodness to Us**
  - Where have you seen God's goodness in your own story?
2. **Goodness in Relationships**
  - Who has shaped your life for the good, either positively or negatively?
  - What step could you take this week to strengthen relationships that help you grow in goodness?
3. **Goodness through Honesty**
  - Why is honesty so vital for God's goodness to grow in our lives?
  - Is there an area you need to bring into the light with God or trusted people?
4. **Goodness by the Spirit**
  - This week's key takeaway is to make these three daily prayers part of your rhythm:
    - *Holy Spirit, show me.*
    - *Holy Spirit, change me.*
    - *Holy Spirit, fill me.*
  - Which of these prayers do you feel you need to pray most right now?
  - How could your group encourage each other to practice these prayers every day this week?



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## **Prayer Moment:**

Thank God for His goodness and faithfulness.

Pray together the three daily prayers:

- *Holy Spirit, show me.*
- *Holy Spirit, change me.*
- *Holy Spirit, fill me.*

Ask the Spirit to grow uprightness of heart and life in each person.

## **Next Step:**

This week, pray the three prayers daily and watch for how God grows goodness in you.

Choose one intentional act of goodness - a kind word, an honest conversation, forgiving someone, or serving without recognition.