

The Fruit of the Spirit: Goodness

Various texts

What is Kindness?

- Agathōsynē:
 - Benevolence: Doing good to/for others
 - Generosity: Going the extra mile

The Goodness of God

- God is the definer of what is good
 - So whatever God does is, by definition, good (Mark 10:18)
- He constantly acts in the benefit of others (Ps. 103:2; 116:12)
- He is known for His generosity (Phil. 4:19)
 - Even towards those who do not acknowledge Him (Matt. 5:44-45)

For Goodness Sake

- We are called to reflect God's benevolence and generosity
 - Showing that God has changed us (Eph 5:8-10)
- Giving out the abundance which He has given to us (2 Cor. 9:10-11)

A Heart Check

- The Holy Spirit produces goodness in us for the benefit of others
 - Which means giving to something or doing something that is NOT primary about benefiting us (Phil. 2:3-4)

So What?

- Are we letting the Holy Spirit produce goodness in us?
- Do we look out for the interests of others?
- Are we known for our generosity?

Meditation Verse: Philippians 2:3-4