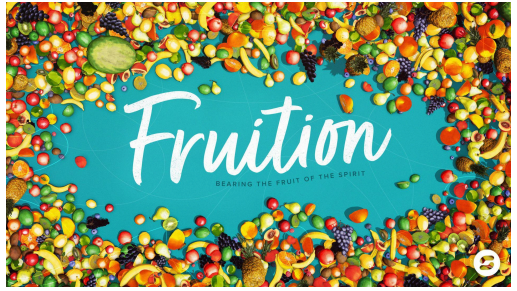


STUDY GUIDE

August 18

STAY IN THE LOOP

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START WITH PRAYER

Use this Prayer Prompt

Thank God for His goodness. Thank God for saving us while we were still stuck in sin. Ask God to help us to do good in the midst of a sinful world.

STUDY THE BIBLE

Think through and discuss your reactions as you read through Scripture:

Galatians 5:22-23

Mark 10:17-18

Romans 15:14

Ephesians 5:8-9

2 Thessalonians 1:11-12

Psalms 51:5

Romans 3:23

Romans 5:8

Matthew 6:22-23

Romans 12:9

STIR UP DISCUSSION

How does this week's teaching affect me personally?

1. Jesus said, "No one is good except God alone" (Mark 10:18). How does this statement challenge our understanding of goodness, and what does it reveal about the nature of God's goodness compared to human goodness?
2. What are some societal examples of things that appear good but might not be truly wholesome or beneficial?
3. What are some practical ways we can distinguish between true goodness and superficial or false displays of goodness in our own lives and in others?
4. How does the presence of the Holy Spirit in a believer's life enable them to produce genuine goodness, and what are some examples of this transformation in everyday actions?
5. Based on Romans 12:9, which says, "Hate what is evil; cling to what is good," what specific actions can you take this week to embody this verse and reflect God's goodness in your interactions and decisions?

STEP INTO ACTION

Let's try to apply this by taking some Next Steps.

1. *In a world full of pain, have courage to do good.*
2. *Recognize evil when it counterfeits good by consuming the Word of God.*