

**Developing Spiritual
Character
Living The Good Life
Galatians 5:22-23 & Mark 10:17-18**

What Is The Good Life?

The Bible describes the good life as a life marked by _____

“For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.” (Ephesians 2:10)

“so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;” (Colossians 1:10)

Goodness of God - a perfection of his character which he exercises towards his creatures according to their various circumstances and relations. (Easton's Bible Dictionary)

Goodness in man - is not a mere passive quality, but the deliberate preference of right to wrong, the firm and persistent resistance of all moral evil, and the choosing and following of all moral good. (Easton's Bible Dictionary)

Our problem is that we are not _____ (Mark 10:17-18)

Four Reasons To Support That Claim:

1. The _____ states it

“as it is written: “None is righteous, no, not one; no one understands; no one seeks for God. All have turned aside; together they have become worthless; no one does good, not even one.”

(Romans 3:10-12)

“for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,” (Romans 3:23)

2. The facts of _____

3. The observation of _____

4. A knowledge of _____

Our goodness is a _____

(Titus 3:4-7 & Ephesians 2:8-9)

Establishing A Spiritual BASE In My Life:

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

When we receive God's gift of eternal life, He begins to transform our _____ and our _____ (Philippians 2:12-13)

Cooperating With God In Living The Good Life

1. _____ in your Bible
(2 Timothy 3:16-17)

We only have two sources from which to develop our values: the _____ or the _____

2. _____ your heart
(Proverbs 4:23 & Philippians 4:8)

Sin always starts in the _____

3. _____ convictions (Romans 12:9)

If you don't stand for something you will fall for anything!

4. _____ courage (Joshua 1:9)

"Courage is doing what you are afraid to do. There can be no courage unless you're scared." Eddie Rickenbacker

5. _____ other believers
(Hebrews 10:24-25)

Three Possible Responses To Living In The Present World

- _____
- _____
- _____

(Philippians 2:15-16a & Matthew 5:16)

Living the good life is not always easy, but it is eternally worthwhile!

“And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.” (Galatians 6:9)

Making It Personal:

- Have you established a Spiritual BASE in your life?
- What steps will you take to better cooperate with God in growing in goodness?
- Is your life marked more by Imitation, Isolation or Infiltration?