

SUMMER OF FRUIT—GOODNESS Community Group Questions

Genesis 1:4, Romans 12:9-21

1—How have you seen the Lord working in your life this past week? What is He teaching you in your current season?

2—Read **Genesis 1:4**. The Hebrew word for good is *tov*. IT refers to something that exists as it should, does what it should do, and causes flourishing where it exists. Before this sermon, how would you have defined “good”?

3—Read **Genesis 3:6**. Eve saw that the tree that God told them not to eat was “good” and she used her own judgment to define goodness. Where do you find yourself trusting your own definition of goodness over God’s? In what area of life do you find yourself suspicious that God is not good? Where do you find yourself focusing on what God is withholding rather than what he’s given?

4—Which of Sunday’s points best resonates with you?

- Goodness is defined by the beholding of God
- We choose to define goodness on our own terms rather than by God’s standard
- Sin begins as a suspicion that God is not good
- Jesus was seen as we are so that we could be seen as He is
- Goodness is a gift received before a fruit produced

5— Read **Romans 12:9-21**. Which of these ways to live out goodness resonate with you?

- Honor
- Hope
- Hospitality
- Harmony
- Humility

6—What are you hearing from the Lord in these verses? How can you apply these verses to your life?