

West Valley Church of Christ – June 28, 2026

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Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Devotional: 6:00 p.m.

HE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT (7)

What is your perception of what it means to be filled with the fruit of the Spirit called goodness? Our perception is important because it makes us aware of something. If our perception is off target as to what it means, we will undoubtedly draw the wrong conclusion. If our understanding of what God calls the fruit of goodness is inaccurate, then our perception will be wrong. In other words, it is not possible to begin with a wrong view on goodness and fill our hearts properly with this good fruit. Having a correct perception and understanding of the fruit called goodness contributes to our developing hearts filled with goodness. The Greek word for “goodness” in Galatians 5:22 is AGATHOSUNE and this word directs us to the character trait of goodness. The original word translated goodness as a fruit carries the idea not only of goodness, but also of a purity in heart. The fruit of goodness God expects us to develop in our hearts should exemplify a noble type of goodness that flows from an unselfish heart. The fruit of goodness is a goodness that is not only fundamentally good, but is apt to leave a pleasing aroma or create a beautiful picture in our memory. Goodness involves the idea of doing the right thing for the right reason and for that reason alone it may on occasion be translated by the word “honest.”

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