



GOODNESS

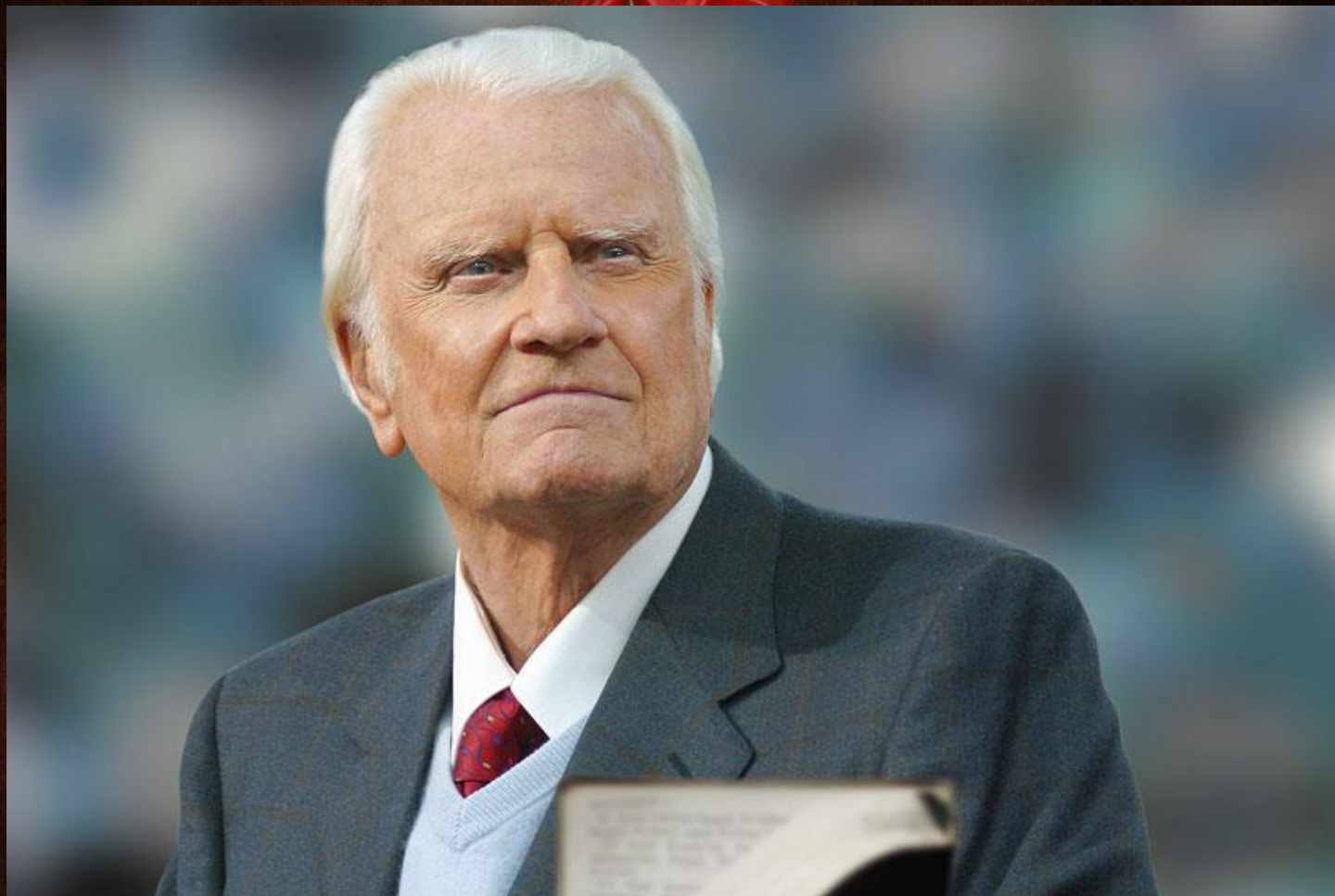
LOVE REACHING OUT TO OTHERS

*But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy,
peace, forbearance, kindness, GOODNESS,
faithfulness, gentleness and self-
control. Against such things there is no law.*

















The fruit of goodness is not just an outward act of kindness. It stems from an inward work of the spirit that manifests itself in Christlike action.



Mark 10:17-22

- GOD IS GOOD
- WE ARE NOT GOOD
- GOODNESS IS ONLY FOUND IN
FOLLOWING JESUS



“And the LORD passed before him and proclaimed, ‘The LORD, the LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abounding in goodness and truth’” (Exodus 34:6).



*“there is no one who does good, not even
one.” (Psalm 14:3)*



“This is love: not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.” 1 John 4:10



Goodness SACRIFICES For Others

Acts 4:36-37 Joseph, a Levite from Cyprus, whom the apostles called Barnabas (which means Son of Encouragement), sold a field he owned and brought the money and put it at the apostles' feet.



Goodness SEEKS THE BEST in Others

Acts 9:26-27 When he came to Jerusalem, he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him, not believing that he really was a disciple. But Barnabas took him and brought him to the apostles. He told them how Saul on his journey had seen the Lord and that the Lord had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had preached fearlessly in the name of Jesus.



Goodness will be a A SPIRITUAL INFLUENCE On Others

Acts 11:22-24 News of this [revival] reached the ears of the church at Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. When he arrived and saw the evidence of the grace of God, he was glad and encouraged them all to remain true to the Lord with all their hearts. He was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and faith, and a great number of people were brought to the Lord.



Goodness Works for The SUCCESS of Others

Acts 11:25-26 Then Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul, and when he found him, he brought him to Antioch. So for a whole year Barnabas and Saul met with the church and taught great numbers of people. The disciples were called Christians first at Antioch.



Goodness Will STICK THROUGH with others

Acts 15:36-39 Some time later Paul said to Barnabas, "Let us go back and visit the brothers in all the towns where we preached the word of the Lord and see how they are doing." Barnabas wanted to take John, also called Mark, with them, but Paul did not think it wise to take him, because he had deserted them in Pamphylia and had not continued with them in the work. They had such a sharp disagreement that they parted company. Barnabas took Mark and sailed for Cyprus.