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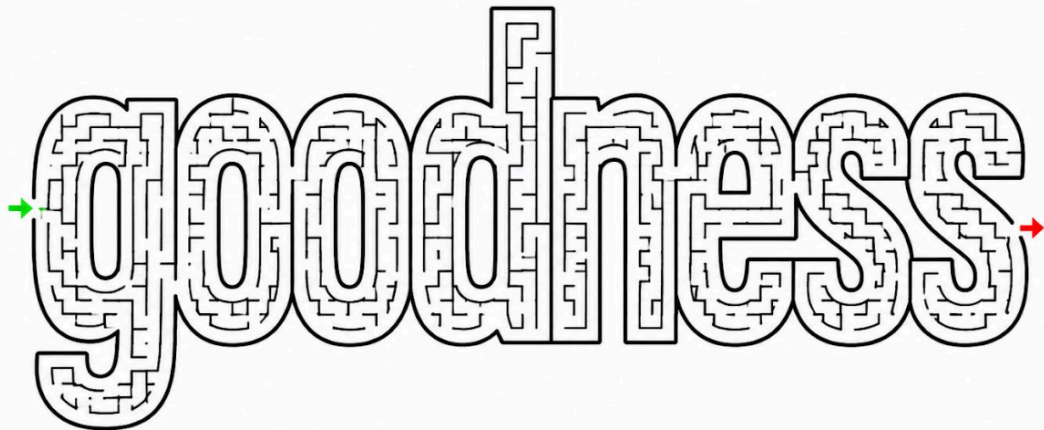
TODAY'S TOPIC:
WHY SHOULD WE DO
GOOD?

Do we all just do good to be rewarded and not punished because we're scared of God? Why are Christians supposed to do good?

First: **Our good works cannot make us right with God.**

God is holy and just, so we must be perfect to have eternal life, not just do more good than bad. It is impossible to do enough good to gain eternal life. Because no one is perfect, does that mean we have no hope?

Romans 6:23 says, "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." This is good news! Jesus was perfect in our place, and he took the penalty of our sin on the cross. Romans 10:9 says. "If you confess with



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HELP FALLEN SERVE LOVE
FRIEND BOOKS PICK CARRY

We should do good works out of love for God because he has freed us.

If we aren't saved because of our good works, why should Christians do good? Should we intentionally keep sinning because God gives grace? Paul answers, "By no means!" ([Romans 6:1-2](#)). If we're saved, our old, sinful selves were crucified with Christ, and we have been set free from sin ([Romans 6:6-7](#)). [Galatians 5:13](#) says that we should use the freedom God has given us to serve others—to do good!

The reality is, sometimes doing good means we experience blessings, and other times it means we experience hatred and hurt from others. So we shouldn't do good because of what we might get in return—we should do good because we greatly respect and love our incredible God, and he has told us how he wants us to live in the Bible. Our hope is that others will "see [our] good works and give glory to [our] Father who is in heaven" (Matthew 5:16).

♥ **Serve**
one another
through
love. ♥



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Horsing Around

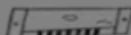
God designed horses to be our helpful companions.
Can you find all the items hidden in the picture?



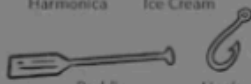
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