

Produce in me - Goodness

I just returned from a week long mission trip with the youth from my church. I have never led a mission trip before, let alone one in another country. Each morning I woke up at the crack of dawn to make and set out breakfast. We hosted a VBS camp during the day, then activities with the local youth group each night. I have never been so exhausted in my entire life.

Each day we received letters from our prayer partners in the United States. One day, I did not think I could continue with the long hours serving. Then, I opened up a card to find the most perfect verse.

Read Galatians 6:9.

I was tired of serving. I was tired of "doing good," but a fruit of the Holy Spirit is goodness. When we are full of God, we will not become weary in doing His good work.

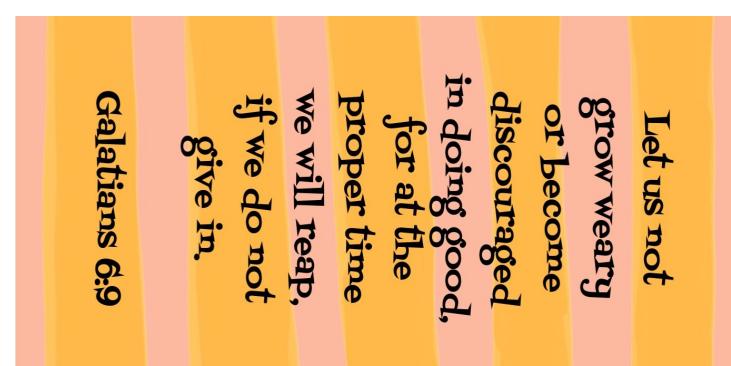
Read Matthew 7:16-18.

The Bible very clearly talks about goodness in relation to fruit in these verses. If you are running with the Lord, your tree will be beautiful and healthy and full of yummy, good fruit.

Heavenly Father, help us not grow weary in doing good. Fill us up with Your goodness each day. Help us to bear good fruit, fruit that is pleasing and delicious for You. Thank You for the opportunities we have to serve and work alongside You. In Jesus' name, amen.

Going deeper:

- What kind of fruit is on your tree? How will people recognize you by your fruit?
- Read Hebrews 10:24. God doesn't want us to be alone in doing good for Him. Who can you spur on toward good deeds?
- Read Luke 19:17. Could God call you a good and faithful servant? Why or why not?
- Draw a cup of your favorite fruit juice to remind you to be full of God's goodness.



Hebrews 10:24

