



SERIES: Getting Ripe With God **PREACHER:** Jim Firth

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QUESTION #1

In this message, what resonated with you?

QUESTION #2 Was there anything you wrestled with?

QUESTION #3

Read Isaiah 5:20-21 below. Why do we get so confused about what is good?

Isaiah 5:20-21, GW

How horrible it will be for those who call evil good and good evil, who turn darkness into light and light into darkness, who turn what is bitter into something sweet and what is sweet into something bitter.²¹ How horrible it will be for those who think they are wise and consider themselves to be clever.

QUESTION #4

Genuine love, peace, patience, kindness, gentleness, and goodness all point to God. When we rely on our own understanding, we can distort these ideas. What are some examples of this?

QUESTION #5

Read Romans 12:9 below. How do you actually discern what is evil and what is good?

Romans 12:9, NIV Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good.

QUESTION #6

Can we connect intellect with morality? Why or why not?

QUESTION #7

God is the source of goodness, even goodness in our own personalities. Clinging to our own definition of goodness can hinder this Fruit of the Spirit from flourishing and growing. Do you struggle to believe God is good to you?

QUESTION #8

Apart from God there is no goodness. Can you think of some examples of God's goodness you've recently seen or experienced?