Building Blocks Of Faith: Evident And Energetic Goodness!

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2 Peter 1:3, His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and goodness. 4 Through these He has given us His very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature, having escaped the corruption in the world caused by evil desires. 5 For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; 6 and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, **godliness**; 7 and to godliness, **mutual affection**; and to mutual affection, love. 8 For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 But whoever does not have them is nearsighted and blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their past sins. 10 Therefore, my brothers and sisters, make every effort to confirm your calling and election. For if you do these things, you will never stumble, 11 and you will receive a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

2 Peter 1:5, For this very reason, **make every effort** to add to your faith goodness...

Biblical Principles Related To Godly Goodness:

1 - God Is The Ultimate Source Of <u>ALL GOODNESS</u>

2 Peter 1:3, His divine power has given us everything we need for a

godly life through our knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and **goodness**.

2 - True Goodness Is A FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

Galatians 5:22, But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, **goodness**, faithfulness, 23 gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

3 - Your Goodness Is God's <u>ADVERTISEMENT</u>

1 Peter 2:9, But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, so that you may proclaim the **excellencies** of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.

4 - Goodness Is Something I'm Commanded To LOOK FOR

Philippians 4:8, *Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is* **excellent** *or praiseworthy —think about such things.*

5 - Your Goodness Never Goes UNNOTICED By God!

Hebrews 13:15, *Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess His name. 16 And do not forget to* **do good** *and to share with others, for with such sacrifices* **God is pleased**.

6 - Your Goodness Always Produces A HARVEST

Galatians 6:7, Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows... 9 Let us not become weary in **doing good**, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. 10 Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us **do good** to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.

Godly Goodness Is Not Just Something You Do—It's Something God Does <u>THROUGH YOU</u>!

Three Action Steps As We Begin Building Our Faith:

1 - Make a commitment to be in Worship for the next 7 weeks. (Saturday 5:00p, Sunday 9:30a, 11:00a, or Online)

2 - Join a Group — Life Groups meet on campus Sunday mornings or Home Groups meet throughout the week. Go to the Connect Wall for more formation.

3 - Pray that God would use your goodness in a powerful way to impact our community!