



Part 5: How Good is Good Enough?

Common assumption:

GOOD PEOPLE go to heaven

How should we measure good?

Heed THE RULES method

High JUMP method

Hide AND SEEK method

As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. “Good teacher,” he asked, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?”

“Why do you call me good?” Jesus answered. “No one is good—except God alone.”
- Mark 10:17-18 (NIV)

Good is a PERSON not a STANDARD

Jesus looked at him and loved him. “One thing you lack,” he said. “Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.”

At this the man’s face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth.
- Mark 10:21–22 (NIV)

Every one of us has ONE THING

The disciples were even more amazed, and said to each other, “Who then can be saved?”

Jesus looked at them and said, “With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God.”
- Mark 10:26-27 (NIV)

We don’t need good, we need GRACE

It is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast.
- Ephesians 2:8–9 (NIV)

Good people don’t go to heaven, FORGIVEN people do