

The Me I Want to Be

Galatians 5:22-23 – Goodness

Galatians 5:22 the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,²³ gentleness and self-control.

Mark 10:18 “Why do you call me good? No one is good—except God alone.”

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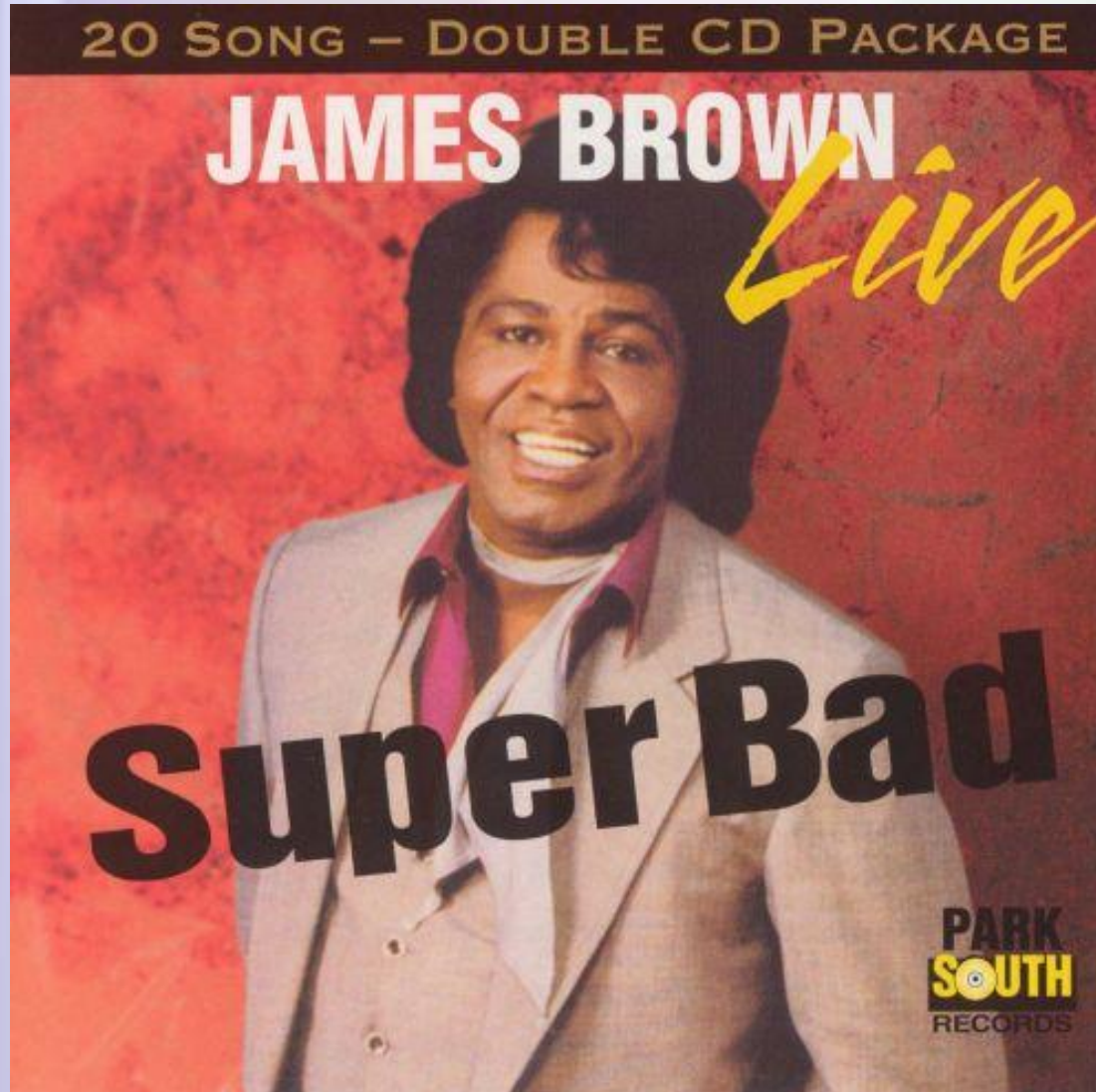
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“I’m basically a good person.”

- It is arbitrary
- It offers no assurance of salvation
- It contradicts the Bible

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Titus 3:5 he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit,

Romans 3:20 For no one can ever be made right with God by doing what the law commands. The law simply shows us how sinful we are. (NLT)

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Galatians 2:21 I do not set aside the grace of God, for if righteousness could be gained through the law, Christ died for nothing!”

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

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**GOOD PEOPLE DON'T GO
TO HEAVEN. FORGIVEN
PEOPLE GO TO HEAVEN.**

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¹⁰ For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

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Matthew 7:17 (Jesus said,) every good (*agathos*) tree bears good (*kalos*) fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. ¹⁸ A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, and a bad tree cannot bear good (*kalos*) fruit.

Matthew 5:16 “Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.”

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Micah 6:8 He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. ... To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

Isaiah 5:20 Woe to those who call evil good and good evil, who put darkness for light and light for darkness. ²¹ Woe to those who are wise in their own eyes and clever in their own sight.

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Malachi 2:17 You have wearied the Lord with your words.

“How have we wearied him?” you ask.

By saying, “All who do evil are good in the eyes of the Lord, and he is pleased with them”

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Galatians 6:9 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.