

Devoted to Doing Good

(1) Goodness announces the hope of
forgiveness

(2) Goodness promotes an affection for God

(3) Goodness helps supply basic needs

(4) Goodness seeks to free the oppressed

(5) Goodness points to the God of goodness

(6) Goodness thrives in the atmosphere of
gratitude

James 1

*(17) Every good and perfect gift is from above,
coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights,*

Psalm 92

*(1) It is good to praise the Lord... (2) proclaiming your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night,
(4) For you make me glad by your deeds, Lord;
I sing for joy at what your hands have done.*

Luke 17

(11) Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee.

(12) As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance (13) and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!"

Luke 17

(15) One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. (16) He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan.

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(17) Jesus asked, "Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? (18) Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?" (19) Then he said to him, "Rise and go; your faith has made you well."

Because Christ has touched us with
restoring love, God has given us every
reason to overflow with gratitude.

Romans 1

*...women were inflamed with lust for one another.
Men committed shameful acts with other men...(28)
God gave them over to a depraved mind...(29) They
are full of envy, murder, strife, deceit and malice.
...(30) they invent ways of doing evil...(31) they
have...no love, no mercy.*

Romans 1

(21)... they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened.

Psalm 92:4

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I sing for joy at the work of your hands.

Every time we say thank you for God-given pleasures, our hearts experience new pleasure.

Acts 17

(26) From one man he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands.

Acts 17

(27) God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us.

(7) Goodness unites justice and godliness

Micah 6

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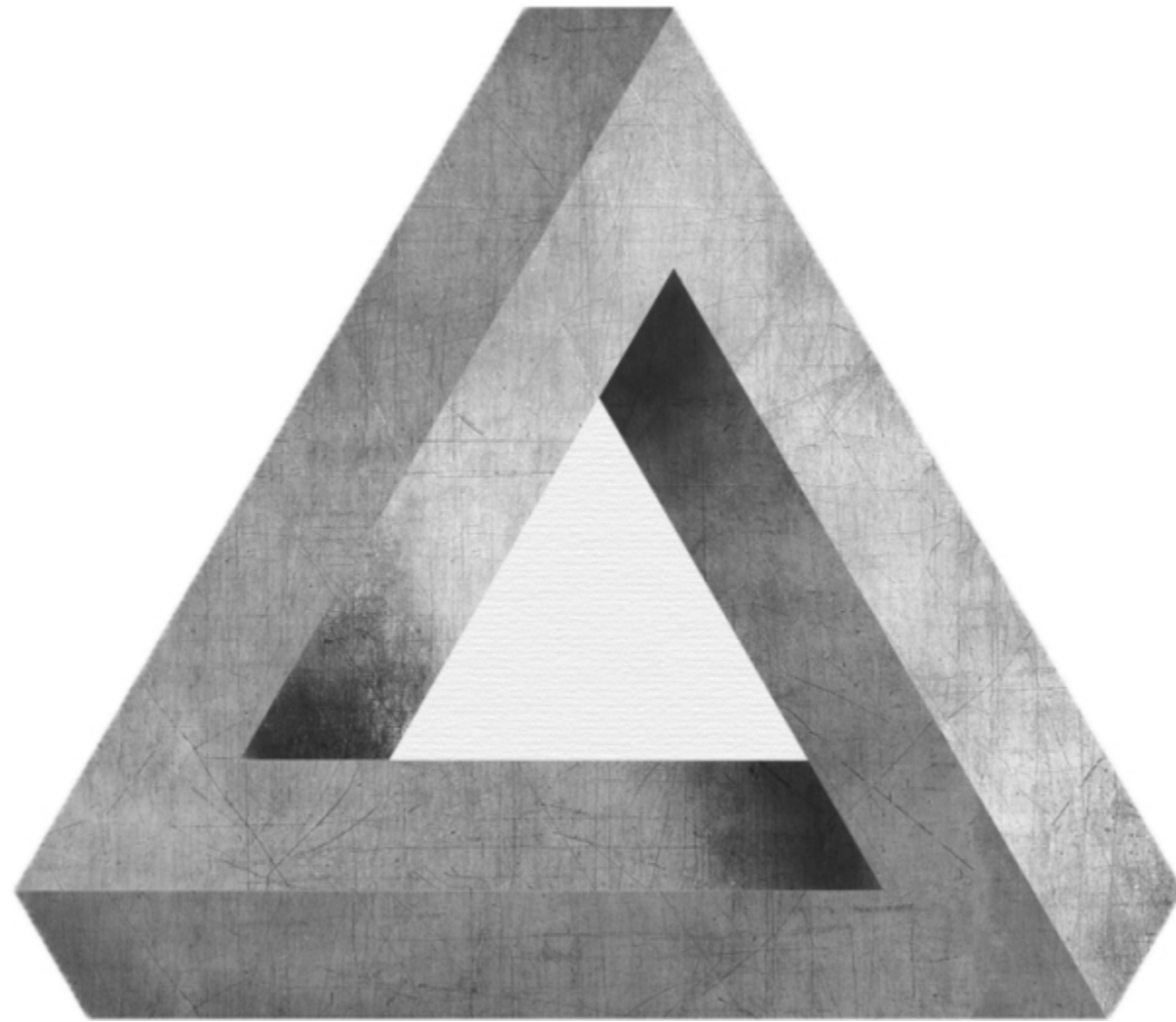
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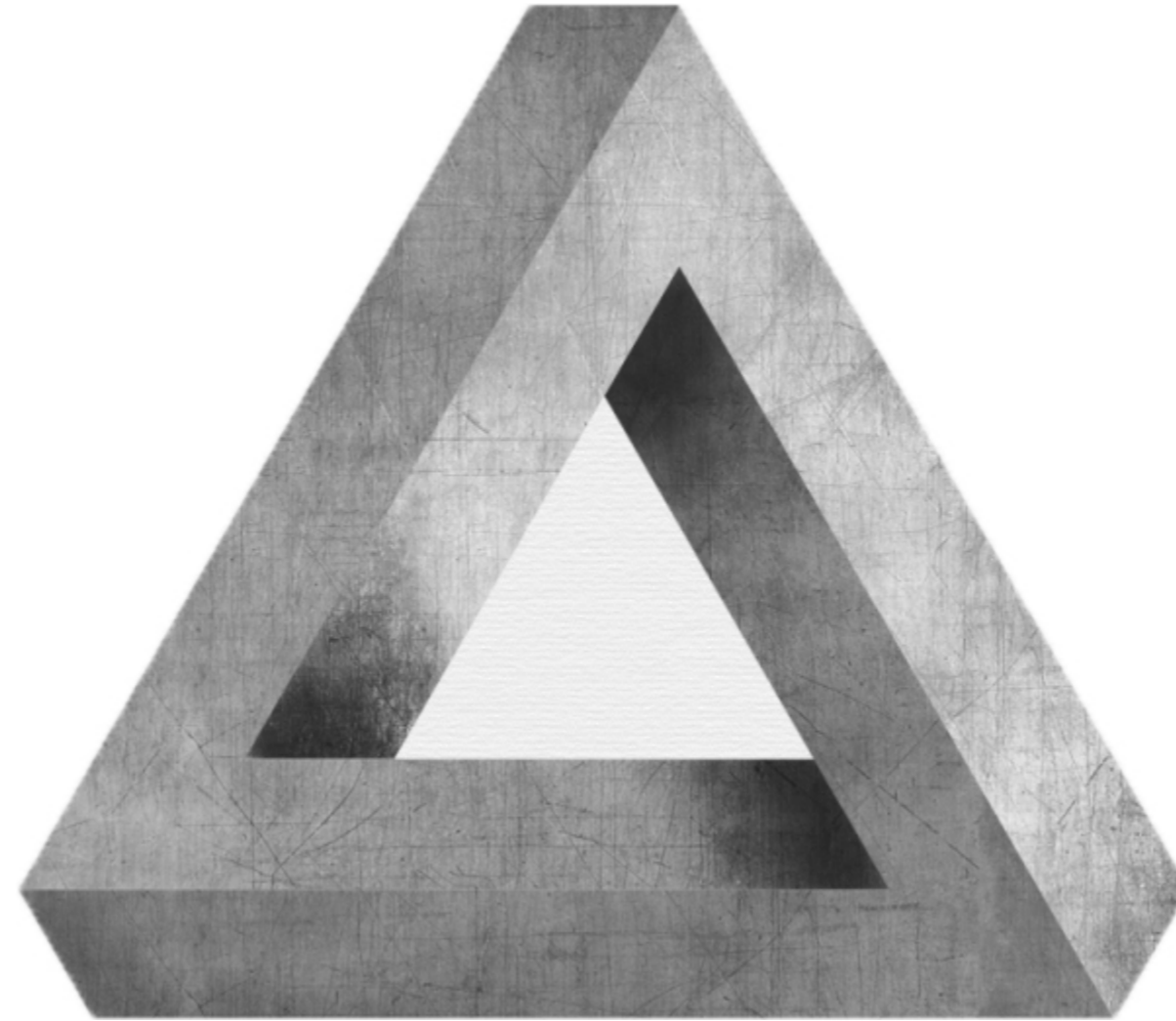
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James 1

(27) Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

Hebrews 2

(17) ..a merciful and faithful high priest in service to God, and that he might make atonement for the sins of the people. (18) Because he himself suffered...

(8) Goodness perseveres because it waits on
God

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....

I do not want to make excuses for myself. I am the one who asked to be pulled out. But I think that if I could have seen the shore, I would have made it.

- Florence Chadwick, 1952