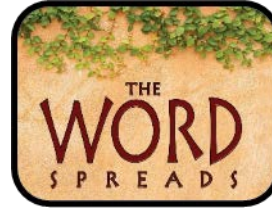


Too “Good” to Be Saved



CASE STUDY 6

“I think she’s just too good to get saved—you know what I mean?” asked Susan. She was talking about her neighbor Mrs. Cole. The ladies in her Bible study had been praying for Susan and Mrs. Cole. Susan had even prevailed on Mrs. Cole to attend last week’s Bible study. But so far, neither Susan’s personal attempts to share the gospel nor studying straight out of the Bible had seemed to move Mrs. Cole an inch. The women in the group started telling about all the good things the Coles had done in the community, the money they’d given, their stellar reputation. The women could understand why Mrs. Cole might see no need for a Savior.

1. Why is it sometimes harder to lead a good, generous, reputable person to salvation than it is to lead a reprobate?
2. Have you been praying years for someone’s salvation? Is that person more like Saul and Mrs. Cole or like the Samaritans?
3. How do the accounts of the Samaritans’ conversion (Acts 8) or Saul’s conversion (Acts 9) encourage you about witnessing to and praying for the unsaved person you mentioned?
4. What will you remember in order to take heart and not give up hope that your friend/loved one is not unreachable?