

The REAL GOD: *The Goodness of God*

The most important thing about a person is what she thinks about God. If God is good, we can trust Him for everything—including our loved ones.

Exodus 33:1-23 (pg. 79)

1. We doubt God's Goodness because **bad things** happen.
2. We doubt God's Goodness because He prohibits things we **want to do**.
3. We doubt God's Goodness because we want whatever we don't have.

"You have found favor in My sight, and I know you by name."
God directs similar Goodness to each of us! He knows you by name.

The Assurance of God's Goodness

1. Scriptural **Declaration**.
2. Human **Deliverance**.
Psalm 145

3. Divine **Demonstration**.

If God were to reveal the fullness of His glory, Moses would die. But in His goodness & mercy, God chooses to reveal only a fraction of His glory.

Jesus is the proof of God's Goodness.
Romans 5:8

You can claim God's Goodness by faith.

Quotes:

"The **goodness of God** is that which disposes Him to be kind, cordial, benevolent, and full of good will toward men. He is tenderhearted and of quick sympathy... by His nature He is inclined to bestow blessedness and He takes holy pleasure in the happiness of His people."

-A.W. Tozer, *Knowledge of the Holy*

"God is too **good** to be unkind and He is too wise to be mistaken. And when we cannot trace His hand, we must trust His heart."

-Charles Haddon Spurgeon

"The root of all sin is a suspicion that God is not **good**."

-Oswald Chambers

"God's grace, quite simply, is God's mercy and **goodness** toward us."

-Billy Graham

"On earth, the underside of the tapestry appears tangled and unclear; but in heaven, we will stand amazed to see the topside of the tapestry and how God beautifully embroidered each circumstance into a pattern for our **good** and His glory."

-Joni Eareckson Tada