

Thank God for His Goodness

Selected Scripture

*“Count your many blessings, name them
one by one,
And it will surprise you what the Lord hath
done.”*

I. God Is Good

I. God Is Good

For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, (Psalm 100:5).

I. God Is Good

For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, (Psalm 100:5).

Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever! (Psalm 106:1; 107:1).

I. God Is Good

No one is good but God alone (Luke 18:19).

I. God Is Good

And he passed in front of Moses, proclaiming, "The LORD, the LORD, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness (Exodus 34:6).

I. God Is Good

*The LORD is compassionate and gracious,
slow to anger, abounding in love
(Psalm 103:8).*

Wayne Grudem:

God's mercy is His goodness toward those in misery and distress.

Wayne Grudem:

God's mercy is His goodness toward those in misery and distress.

God's grace is His goodness toward those who deserve only punishment.

Wayne Grudem:

God's mercy is His goodness toward those in misery and distress.

God's grace is His goodness toward those who deserve only punishment.

God's patience is His goodness in withholding punishment toward those who continue in sin over a period of time.

II. The Way God Works In Our Lives Is Good

II. The Way God Works In Our Lives Is Good

A. God's Plans are Good.

II. The Way God Works In Our Lives Is Good

A. God's Plans are Good.

Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will (Romans 12:2).

This is what the LORD says: "When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will come to you and fulfill my gracious promise to bring you back to this place. For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you," declares the LORD, "and will bring you back from captivity.

I will gather you from all the nations and places where I have banished you," declares the LORD, "and will bring you back to the place from which I carried you into exile."
(Jeremiah 29:10-14)

B. God's Providence Is Good.

B. God's Providence Is Good.

“Providence” - the way God works in this world to bring about His purpose.

*And we know that in all things God works
for the good of those who love him, who
have been called according to his purpose
(Rom.8:28)*

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose (Rom.8:28)

For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son (Rom.8:29).

You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives (Genesis 50:20).

“God in His love always wills what is best for us. In His wisdom He always knows what is best, and in His sovereignty, He has the power to bring it about.” - Jerry Bridges

C. God's Patience is Good.

C. God's Patience is Good.

God identified Himself as *the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness* (Exodus 34:6).

C. God's Patience is Good.

The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance (2 Peter 3:9).

Do you show contempt for the riches of his kindness, tolerance, and patience, not realizing that God's kindness leads you to repentance? (Romans 2:4)

When you have eaten and are satisfied, praise the LORD your God for the good land he has given you. Be careful that you do not forget the LORD your God, failing to observe his commands, his laws and his decrees that I am giving you this day.

Otherwise, when you eat and are satisfied, when you build fine houses and settle down, and when your herds and flocks grow large and your silver and gold increase and all you have is multiplied, then your heart will become proud and you will forget the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. . . .

You may say to yourself, "My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me." But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth. . . (Deut.8:10-18).