



# The Goodness of God



# God's Goodness

- Exodus 33:19 And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you..."
- Psalm 34:8 Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!



# God's Goodness

- Definition:
  - General: pleasing, excellent
  - Of God: perfection of His character; The benevolence/grace that he extends towards people.



# God's Goodness in Creation

- Genesis 1:25 And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the livestock according to their kinds, and everything that creeps on the ground according to its kind. **And God saw that it was good.**
- Matthew 5:45 so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven. For he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust.



# God's Goodness in Salvation

- Exodus 33:19 And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you and will proclaim before you my name 'The LORD.' And I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy.



# God's Goodness in Salvation

Exodus 34:6–7 <sup>6</sup> The LORD passed before him and proclaimed, “The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, <sup>7</sup> keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children’s children, to the third and the fourth generation.”



# God's Goodness in Salvation

- ▶ Psalm 100:5 For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.
- ▶ Psalm 106:1 Praise the LORD! Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!
- ▶ Psalm 107:1 Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!



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- Psalm 118:29 Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!
- Psalm 136:1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.
- Psalm 145:8–9 <sup>8</sup> The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. <sup>9</sup> The LORD is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made.



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Titus 3:3–6 <sup>3</sup> For we ourselves were once foolish, disobedient, led astray, slaves to various passions and pleasures, passing our days in malice and envy, hated by others and hating one another. <sup>4</sup> **But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared,** <sup>5</sup> he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, <sup>6</sup> whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior...



# Trusting His Goodness

- **David:** Psalm 27:13–14 <sup>13</sup> I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living! <sup>14</sup> Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!
- **Jesus:** Mark 14:36 <sup>36</sup> And he said, “Abba, Father, all things are possible for you. Remove this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will.”