

God is Only Good & Always Good

A. The Attributes of God: What is He Like?

1. The Importance of a True Perspective

- What you think about God shapes your whole _____ with Him.
- What you believe God thinks about you determines how _____ you will _____ toward Him.

2. The Goodness of God-His Nature

- How do we describe an invisible God?

Although we focus on 10 specific attributes of God, His Goodness is an _____ and _____ theme in Scripture.

Creation: Genesis 1:4, 10, 12, 18, 21, 25

743 times in Scripture, 80 times in the Psalms

God's Goodness could be described as the _____ of all His attributes.
(Exodus 33:19)

- The definition of the Goodness of God
- God's goodness can't be compared with anyone else He is absolutely _____ good.

3. The Expression of His Goodness

- All God does is good, He is the very source of good, and He is _____ good!

God is especially good to his _____, He is always good to _____!

(Psalm 31:19, 34:8, 34:10, 37:3, 37:23, 84:11, 86:5, 100:5, 103:5, 107:9, 119:68, 119:71...)

B. The Argument Against God: If God is Good Then Why...?

1. Is There Bad, or Evil?

- God did not _____ evil, but He made us with the ability to _____. (Genesis 1:16-17)
- God must _____ evil in the world today, because to remove evil He would have to remove _____. (Genesis 6:5-6, Romans 3:23)
- One day in the future God Himself will **rid** the world of evil once for _____. (Rev. 21:1-2)

2. Are There Natural Disasters?

- Just as God said that man was _____ at the fall, so also was the physical _____. (Rom. 8:19-21)
- To _____ our confidence in this life and force us to think about _____. (Luke 13:2-5)
- To **awaken** our hearts and minds to a reality beyond **our** control. (Romans 1:22-23)

3. Is There Personal Suffering?

- With our _____ minds we can't always _____ God's purposes. (Prov. 3:5-6)
- _____ forward to a day where there is _____ death, no more pain, or sorrow. (Revelation 21:4)

C. The Action: Our Response To God's Goodness

1. Salvation: God is GOOD and I am Not, I Can't Save Myself!

- Have you personally seen the goodness of God, do you have a personal relationship with Him?
- Are you looking to Jesus daily, as your good shepherd? Remember "I cannot live the Christian life, it must be by faith in Jesus Christ."

2. Stop Worrying, God is Working All Things Together for GOOD!

- Though my eyes can't see, help my heart believe! (2Cor. 5:7, Rom. 8:28)
- He hears your call, are you taking everything to God in prayer? (Phil. 4:6-7, Ps 46:1, Heb. 4:16)
- Remember your eternal home, for home is where your heart is! (Matt. 6:21, Phil. 3:13,20)