



The Father Is Good

Focus Understanding God's goodness makes all the difference in what we believe about Him, His attributes and characteristics. The Father is completely good, and we were created out of His goodness.

Open Share something good that has happened to you in the last 30 days.

- Talk**
1. How good is God? What is the measure of His goodness?
 2. Read Exodus 33:18–19. Moses asked God to show him His glory and He showed him His goodness. Have you ever asked God to show you His glory? What were your expectations, and what did God show you?
 3. Did we deserve to be created? Can *nothing* deserve something? Could we earn the right to be created before we even existed? Read James 1:17–18, and discuss your thoughts concerning these questions.
 4. Why does God answer prayer? Explain why.
 5. What was God's greatest display of His goodness?
 6. Read Romans 11:22. Why did God create us with a choice? What happens when we refuse God's goodness?
 7. Sometimes we think God's attributes are warring against each other; the greatest example being His goodness versus His justice. Is there anything that demands God to do *anything*? Explain why.

8. Read Matthew 7:11. If we do not believe that God is good, how does that affect our prayer life?

Live

1. Moses asked for God's glory, and He showed up. Sometimes when we ask for God to show up, what we really mean is that we want His provision. Ask God to reveal to you where you have been asking for His hand and not His heart—for in His presence comes His provision.
2. Read Revelation 12:11. We overcome because of God's goodness towards us. How often do you speak of God's goodness in your life?
3. In what areas of your life are you not fully believing and choosing God's goodness? How is that affecting your prayer life, and what needs to change?

Pray

“Lord, thank You for Your infinite goodness towards me! All good things come from You, and I am grateful. Thank You that Your presence is all I need, for out of Your goodness comes my provision and power. Help me to seek You and Your presence in all things. I choose You today, and I will speak of Your goodness all the days of my life. You are a good God; may Your goodness shine through me towards others. In Jesus' name, amen!”