

God Is So Good (Selected Scriptures)
This Is Us, Part 7
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What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us... We tend by a secret law of the soul to move toward our mental image of God.
(A.W. Tozer, *The Knowledge of the Holy*)

**All our struggles in life are based
on _____ about God.**

1. How should we _____ God's goodness?

Then Moses said, "Now show me your glory." And the LORD said, "I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you, and I will proclaim my name, the LORD, in your presence. (Exodus 33:18-19, NIV)

Then the LORD came down in the cloud and stood there with him and proclaimed his name, the LORD. 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, maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children and their children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation." (Exodus 34:5-7, NIV)

2. How does God _____ his goodness to us?

– By generously pouring out blessings all around us.

They will celebrate your abundant goodness and joyfully sing of your righteousness. The LORD is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love. The LORD is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made. (Psalm 145:7-9, NIV)

You open your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing. The LORD is righteous in all his ways and loving toward all he has made. (Psalm 145:16-17, NIV)

– By graciously delivering from trouble.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever. Let the redeemed of the LORD say this—those he redeemed from the hand of the foe, those he gathered from the lands, from east and west, from north and south. (Psalm 107:1-3, NIV)

– By his Son Jesus, the ultimate demonstration of his goodness.

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (Romans 5:8, NIV)

...If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? (Romans 8:31-32, NIV)

Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of all he created. (James 1:17-18, NIV)

3. How do we _____ to God's Goodness?

– _____ God's greatest good gift.

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

– _____ God in every area of your life.

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship. (Romans 12:1, NIV)

– _____ God's promise of his goodness every day.

For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor. No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly. (Psalm 84:11, ESV)