

The Goodness of God

How does knowing the goodness of God, lead to Thanksgiving?

Memory Verse: 1 My soul, bless the Lord, and all that is within me, bless his holy name. 2 My soul, bless the Lord, and do not forget all his benefits. 3 He forgives all your iniquity; he heals all your diseases. 4 He redeems your life from the Pit; he crowns you with faithful love and compassion. 5 He satisfies you with good things; your youth is renewed like the eagle. Psalm 103:1-5

Why does David lead with praise and blessing in this scripture? Does Praise change the way you see your circumstance?

Difficulty isn't the absence of the goodness of God, its the path that leads us to knowing the goodness of God.

Testimony Time!!! Share about a difficult time that God proved his goodness in!

1 God is our refuge and strength, a helper who is always found in times of trouble. 2 Therefore we will not be afraid, though the earth trembles and the mountains topple into the depths of the seas, 3 though its water roars and foams and the mountains quake with its turmoil.*Selah Psalm 46:1-5*

How was God been present in your toughest times?

God isn't providing for you to be comfortable, He provides so you can become HOLY! The goal isn't to look more like the world, its to look more like HIM!

Why is it so hard for us to forsake comfort to grow in Holiness? What is something you have felt God calling you to step out of but its to comfortable for you to let go?

I have asked one thing from the Lord; it is what I desire: to dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, gazing on the beauty of the Lord and seeking him in his temple. Psalm 27:4

Do you have a unique and fun way that you dwell with the Lord and gaze on his beauty? If so, share it with the group!

A proper foundation for thanksgiving not only looks to God as the rightful recipient of our thanks but as the very essence of true goodness.

Go around the room, and in one word describe Gods goodness. What word stuck out to you?

Write the word down, Dwell on that word this week, and ask God to reveal his goodness in that way!

7 Then Elisha prayed, "Lord, please open his eyes and let him see." So the Lord opened the servant's eyes, and he saw that the mountain was covered with horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.

2 Kings 6:17

Leaders: Ask your group, if they are struggling to see Gods goodness in a situation. Take time to pray for those situations, and for them to see Gods goodness.