

# FirstFruits Gathering At Harvest Christian Church

## The Goodness of God Is A Powerful Force July 15, 2025 Suzi Armstrong

God is good. In the beginning God created the Heavens and the earth and declared that it was good. All of creation carries the fingerprint and DNA of God's goodness. God's goodness is in the air we breathe and the water we drink! The power of His goodness is everywhere we go and in everything we do. The Bible says to taste and see that God is good. To taste is to tear open and experience. Go beyond the surface of things and discover and experience God's goodness in every situation and circumstance.

In Scripture, God said to use His goodness as a banner – a battle cry and a battering ram in war. The goodness of God badgers and harasses the enemy, pushing him back out of the way. The Lord's strategy in enforcing the victory of the Cross is a continual declaration of the goodness of God! The power of God's goodness overcomes evil. In the power of God's goodness is hope, health, and prosperity. His promise is to never leave us nor forsake us.

God's many blessings and His faithfulness are demonstrations of His goodness. God sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. There is no evil in Him; God is absolutely good. The glory of God is filled with His goodness. Moses asked to see God's glory and God responded that He would show Moses His goodness. Isaiah 60 says to us, "Arise, shine for your light has come and the glory of the Lord rises upon you." This verse tells us that the goodness of God is bright, full of light, shining in His glory – so take note of it; His goodness rises upon you!

### James 1.17 NIV

<sup>17</sup> **Every good and perfect gift is from above**, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.

### Psalm 107.1 NIV

<sup>1</sup> **Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.**

### Psalm 27.13-14 NIV

<sup>13</sup> **I remain confident of this: I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.** <sup>14</sup> Wait for the Lord; **be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord.**

- God's goodness is dynamic. It is alive.
- God's goodness lives and breathes.
- His goodness speaks through covenant.

### Prophetic Word from Suzi:

*The Lord is saying open the gates and release the power of My goodness. For truly My goodness is a force in the Heavens and in the earth. In My goodness is the structure of My government. This is a time to govern – to release and set in place the dimensions of My glory. My goodness is foundational as you continue to enter this new era. Renew your mind and your processing and your planning to the movement of My goodness. As you taste and see My goodness you will advance in your future. Dwell in My goodness. It has no beginning and no end. All that is good comes from Me. I do not hold My goodness tight to My chest. I am a generous God, pouring out My goodness in abundance. My goodness is who I am. Experience My goodness in everything.*

## Psalm 145.9 TPT

<sup>9</sup> **God, everyone sees your goodness**, for your tender love is blended into everything you do.

- God shows His wondrous works to all mankind. To every people group and nation.
- The powerful force of the goodness of God leads us to salvation.

## Matthew 5.44-45 NIV

<sup>44</sup> But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, <sup>45</sup> that you may be children of your Father in heaven. **He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous.**

## Nahum 1.7 NIV

<sup>7</sup> **The Lord is good**, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in him.

### 3 key truths about the goodness of God:

#### 1. **God works every detail of our lives – the challenges and the blessings – for good.**

##### Romans 8.28-29 TPT

<sup>28</sup> So we are convinced that **every detail of our lives is continually woven together for good**, for we are his lovers who have been **called to fulfill his designed purpose**. <sup>29</sup> For he knew all about us before we were born and he destined us from the beginning to **share the likeness of his Son**. This means the Son is the oldest among a vast family of brothers and sisters who will become just like him.

#### 2. **God can take hold of what is good and separate it out for His purposes.**

##### Genesis 1.3-4 NIV

<sup>3</sup> And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. <sup>4</sup> **God saw that the light was good**, and **he separated** the light from the darkness.

#### 3. **Acknowledge and celebrate God because He is always good. Count and number His acts of goodness and do not forget any of His benefits.**

##### Psalm 32.11 TPT

<sup>11</sup> **So celebrate the goodness of God!** He shows this kindness to everyone who is his. Go ahead—shout for joy, all you upright ones who want to please him!

## 2 Peter 1.4-5 TPT

<sup>4</sup> As a result of this, **he has given you magnificent promises that are beyond all price**, so that through **the power of these tremendous promises** we can experience partnership with the divine nature, by which you have escaped the corrupt desires that are of the world.

<sup>5</sup> So **devote yourselves to lavishly supplementing your faith with goodness, and to goodness add understanding**,

### PRAYER AND DECLARATION:

In the Name of Jesus, we open the gate of God's goodness and release it into Detroit and Michigan. We say to the land, the communities and households, have an ear to hear the goodness of God permeating your atmospheres and your circumstances – taste and see that the Lord is good to you.

We speak over you that God is indeed good, and His mercies endure forever. And that our God is working all things together for the good. Good overcomes evil. Light dispels darkness. Woe to those who call evil good and good evil, who put darkness for light and light for darkness, who put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter. Woe to those who are wise in their own eyes and clever in their own sight.

Blessed are those who walk in the ways of the Lord and His goodness. Let the goodness of God and His great mercy cover our City and the people. We remain confident of this: **we will see the goodness of the Lord at work in the land of the living!**