

Our Always Good God

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Goodness is the benevolent kindness that characterizes
God and His way.

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God, who alone is good (Mark 10:17,18), is good in Himself (Psalm 34:8) and all He does (119:68). As the good God, He is the source of all good things (James 1:17; Psalm 84:11).

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And the LORD said to Moses, “This very thing that you have spoken I will do, for you have found favor in My sight, and I know you by name.”

Exodus 33:17

Moses said, “Please show me Your glory.”

Exodus 33:18

And He said, “I will make all My goodness pass before you and will proclaim before you My name ‘The LORD.’ And I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy.

Exodus 33:19

But,” He said, “you cannot see My face, for man shall not see Me and live.”

Exodus 33:20

And the LORD said, “Behold, there is a place by Me where you shall stand on the rock,

Exodus 33:21

and while My glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with My hand until I have passed by.

Exodus 33:22

*Then I will take away My hand, and you shall see My back,
but My face shall not be seen.”*

Exodus 33:23

The LORD said to Moses, “Cut for yourself two tablets of stone like the first, and I will write on the tablets the words that were on the first tablets, which you broke.

Exodus 34:1

Be ready by the morning, and come up in the morning to Mount Sinai, and present yourself there to Me on the top of the mountain.

Exodus 34:2

No one shall come up with you, and let no one be seen throughout all the mountain. Let no flocks or herds graze opposite that mountain.”

Exodus 34:3

So Moses cut two tablets of stone like the first. And he rose early in the morning and went up on Mount Sinai, as the LORD had commanded him, and took in his hand two tablets of stone.

Exodus 34:4

*The LORD descended in the cloud and stood with him there,
and proclaimed the name of the LORD.*

Exodus 34:5

The LORD passed before him and proclaimed, “The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness,

Exodus 34:6

keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation.”

Exodus 34:7

*And Moses quickly bowed his head toward the earth
and worshiped.*

Exodus 34:8

And he said, “If now I have found favor in Your sight, O Lord, please let the Lord go in the midst of us, for it is a stiff-necked people, and pardon our iniquity and our sin, and take us for Your inheritance.”

Exodus 34:9

**God is good in all that He is
and all that He does.**

God is good in His essence.

(Exodus 34:6,7; Mark 10:17,18; James 1:17)

God is good in all His relations.

(Exodus 34:6,7)

God's goodness leads to our gratitude.

(Exodus 34:8)

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