His Good Plans For Us

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope. Jeremiah 29:11

No matter what snares, traps, wounds, lies, sins come against us, God's goodness and good plans for us remain. When we are clueless as to what to work on, we can just ask, 'Jesus, what are your good plans for my healing today?"

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God Is Good

Psalm 73:1 A Psalm of Asaph. Truly God is good to Israel, To such as are pure in heart.

Luke 18:18-19 Now a certain ruler asked Him, saying, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" So Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God.

Acts 10:38 How God anointed **Jesus of Nazareth** with the Holy Spirit and with power, **who went about doing good** and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.

1 Timothy 4:4 For every creature of **God is good**, and nothing is to be refused if it is received with thanksgiving.

The Lord Is Good

Psalm 34:8 Oh, taste and see that **the LORD** is good; Blessed is the man who trusts in Him!

Psalm 100:5 For the LORD is good; His mercy is everlasting, And His truth endures to all generations.

Psalm 135:3 Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good; Sing praises to His name, for it is pleasant.

Psalm 145:9 The LORD is good to all, And His tender mercies are over all His works.

Jeremiah 33:11 'the voice of joy and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom and the voice of the bride, the voice of those who will say: "Praise the LORD of hosts, For **the LORD is good**, For His mercy endures forever" —and of those who will bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the LORD. For I will cause the captives of the land to return as at the first,' says the LORD.

Lamentations 3:25 The LORD is good to those who wait for Him, To the soul who seeks Him.

Nahum 1:7 **The LORD is good**, A stronghold in the day of trouble; And He knows those who trust in Him.

We Experience His Goodness

- Exodus 33:19 Then He said, "I will make all My goodness pass before you, and I will proclaim the name of the LORD before you. I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion."
- Exodus 34:6 And the LORD passed before him and proclaimed, "The LORD, the LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and **abounding in goodness** and truth."
- 2 Samuel 7:28 And now, O Lord GOD, You are God, and Your words are true, and **You have promised** this goodness to Your servant.
- 1 Chronicles 17:26 And now, LORD, You are God, and have promised this goodness to Your servant.
- 2 Chronicles 6:41 Now therefore, Arise, O LORD God, to Your resting place, You and the ark of Your strength. Let Your priests, O LORD God, be clothed with salvation, And **let Your saints rejoice in goodness**.
- Nehemiah 9:25 And they took strong cities and a rich land, And possessed houses full of all goods, Cisterns already dug, vineyards, olive groves, And fruit trees in abundance. So they are and were filled and grew fat, And delighted themselves in **Your great goodness**.
- Psalm 16:2 O my soul, you have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, My goodness is nothing apart from You."
- Psalm 21:3 For You meet him with **the blessings of goodness**; You set a crown of pure gold upon his head.
- Psalm 23:6 Surely **goodness** and mercy **shall follow me** All the days of my life; And I will dwell in the house of the LORD Forever.
- Psalm 25:7 Do not remember the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions; According to Your mercy remember me, For **Your goodness' sake**, O LORD.
- Psalm 27:13 I would have lost heart, unless I had believed That I would see the goodness of the LORD In the land of the living.
- Psalm 31:19 Oh, **how great is Your goodness**, Which You have laid up for those who fear You, Which You have prepared for those who trust in You In the presence of the sons of men!
- Psalm 33:5 He loves righteousness and justice; The earth is full of the goodness of the LORD.
- Psalm 52:1 To the Chief Musician. A Contemplation of David when Doeg the Edomite went and told Saul, and said to him, "David has gone to the house of Ahimelech." Why do you boast in evil, O mighty man? The goodness of God endures continually.
- Psalm 65:4 Blessed is the man You choose, And cause to approach You, That he may dwell in Your courts. We shall be satisfied with **the goodness of Your house**, Of Your holy temple.

- Psalm 65:11 You crown the year with Your goodness, And Your paths drip with abundance.
- Psalm 68:10 Your congregation dwelt in it; You, O God, provided from Your goodness for the poor.
- Psalm 107:8 Oh, that men would **give thanks to the LORD for His goodness**, And for His wonderful works to the children of men!
- Psalm 107:9 For He satisfies the longing soul, And fills the hungry soul with goodness.
- Psalm 107:15 Oh, that men would **give thanks to the LORD for His goodness**, And for His wonderful works to the children of men!
- Psalm 107:21 Oh, that men would **give thanks to the LORD for His goodness**, And for His wonderful works to the children of men!
- Psalm 107:31 Oh, that men would **give thanks to the LORD for His goodness**, And for His wonderful works to the children of men!
- Psalm 145:7 They shall utter the memory of **Your great goodness**, And shall sing of Your righteousness.
- Proverb 2:20 So you may walk in the way of goodness, And keep to the paths of righteousness.
- Isaiah 63:7 I will mention the loving kindnesses of the LORD And the praises of the LORD, According to all that the LORD has bestowed on us, And the great goodness toward the house of Israel, Which He has bestowed on them according to His mercies, According to the multitude of His loving kindnesses.
- Jeremiah 31:12 Therefore they shall come and sing in the height of Zion, **Streaming to the goodness of the LORD**—For wheat and new wine and oil, For the young of the flock and the herd; Their souls shall be like a well–watered garden, And they shall sorrow no more at all.
- Jeremiah 31:14 I will satiate the soul of the priests with abundance, And **My people shall be satisfied with My goodness,** says the LORD.
- Jeremiah 33:9 'Then it shall be to Me a name of joy, a praise, and an honor before all nations of the earth, who shall hear all the good that I do to them; they shall fear and tremble for all the goodness and all the prosperity that I provide for it.'
- Hosea 3:5 Afterward the children of Israel shall return and seek the LORD their God and David their king. They shall fear the LORD and **His goodness** in the latter days.
- Romans 2:4 Or do you despise the riches of His goodness, forbearance, and longsuffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance?
- Romans 11:22 Therefore **consider the goodness** and severity **of God**: on those who fell, severity; but toward you, **goodness**, **if you continue in His goodness**. Otherwise you also will be cut off.
- Galatians 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,
- Ephesians 5:9 (For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth).

2 Thessalonians 1:11 Therefore we also pray always for you that our God would count you worthy of this calling, and fulfill all the good pleasure of **His goodness** and the work of faith with power.

God Prepared For Us

- Psalm 37:23 The steps of a good man are ordered by the LORD, And He delights in his way.
- Proverb 16:9 A man's heart plans his way, But the LORD directs his steps.
- Matthew 25:34 Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.'
- Luke 2:30-32 For my eyes have seen **Your salvation**. **Which You have prepared before** the face of all peoples, A light to bring revelation to the Gentiles, And the glory of Your people Israel.
- Romans 9:23 And that He might make known the riches of His glory on the vessels of mercy, which He had prepared beforehand for glory.
- 1 Corinthians 2:9 But as it is written: "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man **The things which God has prepared for those who love Him.**"
- 2 Corinthians 5:5 Now He who has **prepared us for this very thing [eternal body] is God**, who also has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.
- Ephesians 1:11 In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will.
- Ephesians 1:4 Just as **He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world**, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love.
- Ephesians 2:10 For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for **good works, which God prepared** beforehand that we should walk in them
- Hebrews 4:3 For we who have believed do enter that rest, as He has said: "So I swore in My wrath, 'They shall not enter My rest,'" although the works were finished from the foundation of the world.
- Hebrews 11:16 But now they desire a better, that is, a heavenly country. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for **He has prepared a city for them**.
- Revelation 21:2 Then I, John, saw the holy city, **New Jerusalem**, coming down out of heaven from God, **prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.**

God Thinks About Us

- Psalm 40:5 Many, O LORD my God, are Your wonderful works Which You have done; And **Your thoughts toward us Cannot be recounted to You in order**; If I would declare and speak of them, They are more than can be numbered.
- Psalm 139:17-18 How **precious also are Your thoughts to me**, O God! How great is the sum of them! If I should count them, they would be more in number than the sand; When I awake, I am still with You.
- Isaiah 55:8-9 "For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways," says the LORD. "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts".

He Predestined Us To Glory

- Romans 8:29 For whom He foreknew, **He also predestined** to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.
- Romans 8:30 Moreover whom **He predestined**, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified.
- Ephesians 1:4-5 Just as **He chose** us in Him <u>before the foundation</u> of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, **having predestined us** to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will.
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Plans of God

- Psalms 33:11 The counsel of the LORD stands forever, The plans of His heart to all generations.
- Proverbs 16:9 A man's heart <u>plans</u> his way, But the LORD directs his steps.
- Proverbs 19:21 There are many plans in a man's heart, Nevertheless the LORD'S counsel—that will stand.

Thoughts Toward Us

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