

Christian Virtues

Pt. 3 - Goodness - Declare it!

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Exodus 33:15-20

Then Moses said to him, "If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here.

[16] How will anyone know that you are pleased with me and with your people unless you go with us? What else will distinguish me and your people from all the other people on the face of the earth?"

[17] And the LORD said to Moses, "I will do the very thing you have asked, because I am pleased with you and I know you by name."

[18] Then Moses said, "Now show me your glory."

[19] 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. I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.

[20] But," he said, "you cannot see my face, for no one may see me and live."

How can we see God's Goodness?

1. Through SALVATION

John 3:16-17

[16] For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

[17] For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.

John 4:10

Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water."

2. Through CREATION

Romans 1:20

For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse,

Isaiah 55:12

For you shall go out with joy, and be led out with peace; the mountains and the hills shall break forth into singing before you, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

3. Through-out ETERNITY

Revelation 21:1-4

Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea.

^[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.*

^[3] *And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God.*

^[4] *And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away."*

Following a Good God

2 Peter 1:1-5a

^[3] *His divine power has given us EVERYTHING we need for a Godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by His own glory and goodness.*

^[4] *Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature, having escaped the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.*

^[5] *For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness;*

1. GOD always goes the EXTRAMILE

Psalm 145:8-9

^[8] *The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, Slow to anger and great in mercy.*

^[9] *The LORD is good to all, and His tender mercies are over all His works.*

Luke 18:19

"Why do you call me good?" Jesus answered. "No one is good--except God alone.

Romans 3:10

As it is written: "There is no one righteous, not even one;

2. His goodness leads us to REPENTANCE

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?

3. He is our STRONGHOLD

Nahum 1:7

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

Challenge:
DECLARE HIS Goodness!