

God is Good  
Psalm 146:8-10  
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Thesis: To remind us of the goodness of God.

- Intro:
1. Is God good?
  2. Today we will be reminded about this simple but very encouraging fact.
  3. There is a song, often referred to as a children's song, "God is so good".

I. Praise God and Put Your Trust in Him

A. I will ALWAYS praise God (v.1-2)

1. The writer makes his purpose known.
2. Praise will be given to God, and God alone, all of his life.

B. Put Your Trust in God, not man (v.3-4)

1. Man, in comparison to God, provides no help.
2. Man, does not live forever, thus man may not be around to help, unlike God.
  - a. God is always present, always existing, and always available.

II. Joy from the God of Jacob & His Actions

A. The God of Jacob

1. Who is the God of Jacob? (v.5)
2. The Creator of all things (v.6)
3. The one who keeps truth forever (v.6)
4. The Executor of judgment (v.7a)
5. The one who feeds the hungry (v.7b)

B. Jacob's God is identified as The Lord

1. The Lord is the one who does this wonderful things.
  - a. Gives Freedom (v.7c)
  - b. Opens the eyes of the Blind (v.8)
  - c. Raises those who are bowed down (v.8)
  - d. Loves the Righteous (v.8)
  - e. Watches over strangers (v.9a)
  - f. Relieves the fatherless and the widow (v.9b)
2. He also executes His plan against the wicked (v.9c)
  - a. He turns the world of the wicked "upside down".

III. Lessons for us today.

A. Why is the God of Jacob worthy to be served?

1. He practices goodness (v.5-9b)
2. He tolerates no evil (v.9c)
3. He reigns forever (v.10)

B. What these things cause the faithful follower of God to do

1. Because of what He does for man, God is worthy to be praised (v.1)
2. He is worthy of our dedication (v.2)

Application & Conclusion:

1. God's goodness is reminder of the amazing God we serve.
2. His goodness should motivate us to serve Him faithfully (v.2)
3. Full Invitation

Non-Christians must:

Hear – James 1:22, Romans 10:15,17

Believe – Jn 12:44, Jn 8:24, Mt 16:16

Repent – Luke 13:2-3

Confess – John 12:42, Romans 10:9

Be Baptized – 1 Pt 3:21, Acts 22:16, Col 2:11-12, Mk 16:16, Rom 6:3-4

Live faithfully – John 14:15, Rev 2:10

Christians must:

Repent & Pray: James 5:16, 1 John 1:9