

God is Good All the Time

Confidence in the Future

Psalm 23:6

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Psalm 23 ¹ The Lord is my shepherd, I have everything I need. ² He makes me lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside still waters. ³ He restores my soul. He leads me in the right paths for His Name's sake. ⁴ Even when I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me. Your rod and your staff comfort me. ⁵ You prepare a banquet for me in front of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil, and my cup overflows. ⁶ Surely goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Hebrews 10 ³⁵ So do not throw away this confident trust in the Lord. Remember the great reward it brings you! (NLT)

Why can we be confident in our future?

1. **GOD'S GOODNESS** is watching over us.

Psalm 23 ⁶ Surely goodness...will follow me all the days of my life...

Psalm 145 ²⁰ The LORD protects all those who love him. (NLT)

Psalm 91 ¹¹ For he will order his angels to protect you wherever you go. (NLT)

2. **GOD'S MERCY** is covering us.

Psalm 23 ⁶ Surely mercy...will follow me all the days of my life...

Hebrews 4 ¹⁶ So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most. (NLT)

3. **GOD'S GIFT OF HEAVEN** is waiting for us.

Psalm 23 ^{6b} ...and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Revelation 21 ⁴ He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain. All these things are gone forever. (NLT)

How should we live our lives considering God's goodness?

1. Make **WORSHIPING GOD** our first priority.

Hebrews 12 ²⁸ Since we are receiving a Kingdom that is unshakable, let us be thankful and please God by worshiping him with holy fear and awe. (NLT)

2. Be **LOVING & GRACIOUS** to everyone.

1 John 4 ⁷ Dear friends, let us continue to love one another, for love comes from God. Anyone who loves is a child of God and knows God. (NLT)

3. **TELL OTHERS** about God's glory.

Matthew 5 ¹⁶ Let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father. (NLT)