

# Let us Pray

Goodness Empowered Prayer

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Your understanding about God and your relationship with Him shapes everything else in your life, including your prayer.

The Lord is always good. He is always loving and kind, and his faithfulness goes on and on to each succeeding generation." Psalm 100:5 TLB

## Getting the Gist of God's Goodness

**Because God is always good,**

1. God's plans for my life \_\_\_\_\_.

Jeremiah 29:11 NLT – "I know the plans I have for you," says the LORD. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope. When you pray, I will listen."

Psalm 31:19 TLB – "How great is your goodness to those who publicly declare that you will rescue them. For you have stored up great blessings for those who trust and reverence you."

Romans 8:28 NLT – "God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them."

**Because God is always good,**

2. God always gives me \_\_\_\_\_.

Psalm 103:10-12 GW – "He has not treated us as we deserve for our sins or paid us back for our wrongs. As high as the heavens are above the earth – that is how vast his mercy is toward those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west – that is how far he has removed our sins."

Micah 7:19 NLT – "You trample our sins under your feet and throw them into the depths of the ocean."

Psalm 27:10-13 NLT – "Even if my father and mother abandon me, the LORD will hold me close. My enemies are waiting for me... they accuse me of things I've never done... Yet I am confident I will see the LORD's goodness while I am here alive."

Hebrews 4:15-16 CEV – "Jesus understands every weakness of ours, because he was tempted in every way that we are. But he did not sin! So, whenever we are in need, we should come bravely [boldly, confidently, without fear] before the throne of our merciful God. There we will be treated with undeserved kindness, and we will find help."

**Because God is always good,**

3. God put my good \_\_\_\_\_.

John 10:14-15 NLT – "I am the good shepherd; I know my own sheep, and they know me, just as my Father knows me and I know the Father. So I sacrifice my life for the sheep."

John 15:13 GW – "The greatest love you can show is to give your life for your friends."

Romans 4:25 TLB – "He died for our sins and rose again to make us right with God, filling us with God's goodness."

Romans 8:32 TLB – "Since he did not spare even his own Son for us but gave him up for us all, won't he also surely give us everything else?"

**Because God is always good,**

4. He does not say \_\_\_\_\_.

- When the \_\_\_\_\_ is not right, God says \_\_\_\_\_.
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- When \_\_\_\_\_ are right, God says \_\_\_\_\_.

Luke 11:11-13 NLT – "You fathers, if your children ask for a fish, do you give them a snake instead? Or if they ask for an egg, do you give them a scorpion? Of course not! So if you sinful people know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him."

Isaiah 55:8-9 NLT – "My thoughts are nothing like your thoughts, says the LORD. And my ways are far beyond anything you could imagine. For just as the heavens are higher than the earth, so my ways are higher than your ways and my thoughts higher than your thoughts."

**"Lord, keep me from looking at worthless things. Let me live by your word. I long for your guiding principles. Renew my life with your goodness." Psalm 119:37,40**

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