## The Goodness of God

Ps 107:1

**Main idea**: To explore and explain the concept of God's goodness, provide biblical examples, discuss the benefits of recognizing God's goodness, and emphasize the importance of gratitude and praise.

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Suggestions for moving forward with your sermon on the goodness of God:

- 1. Expand on the concept of God's goodness: You can explore different aspects of God's goodness, such as His faithfulness, love, mercy, and provision. Use additional Scripture passages to support each aspect. For example:
- Psalm 34:8: "Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him."
- James 1:17: "Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows."
- 2. Highlight examples of God's goodness in the Bible: Share stories from the Bible that demonstrate God's goodness towards His people. For instance:
- The story of Joseph in Genesis 50:20, where God turned a difficult situation into something good.
- The account of the Israelites' deliverance from slavery in Exodus 14, showcasing God's faithfulness and provision.

- 3. Discuss the benefits of recognizing and experiencing God's goodness: Explain how acknowledging and experiencing God's goodness can bring joy, peace, and a deeper relationship with Him. Use passages like:
- Psalm 34:10: "The lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing."
- Romans 8:28: "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose."
- 4. Emphasize the importance of gratitude and praise: Encourage your listeners to respond to God's goodness with gratitude and praise. Use verses like:
- Psalm 107:8-9: "Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind, for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things."
- Hebrews 13:15: "Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name."

Remember to weave these ideas into your existing sermon outline and use language that resonates with your audience.