

God is good all the time and all the time God is good. What a marvelous thought to begin a day. I am contemplating the goodness of God today. I just talked with one of our pastors who just recently lost his wife. We were talking about the things he and his children are going through. Even in the midst of the death of a loved one, God's goodness is clearly seen. We do not weep as those who have no hope, because we have a hope. This verse does not deny the reality of tears because we all weep in such situations. However, we have a hope. God has made a way for us to go to where our loved ones have gone. Each one who reads this article has lost someone at some time. God promises that one day there will be no more tears, there will be no more pain, there will be no more sin. Many of us have suffered physical problems or know of loved ones who have. All should be looking and preparing for the time when we will be in the presence of Holy God. "God is good all the time" and "all the time God is good.."

As I sit here typing this article, the rain is falling outside. The God of this universe knows what we have need of before we ever ask. He provides when the time is right. He answers our prayers in a variety of ways. Some time he says yes, some time no, and sometime wait because he has something better for us. Our problem is the waiting. We want it right now, but He knows what is best. The title of the old program years ago "Father Knows Best" describes our heavenly Father and His desire for us. Thank you God for the rain and answered prayer. Reflect on how He has met your needs and answered your prayers. Keeping a prayer journal will help you record your prayers and how God has been faithful to answer when we call upon Him. "God is good all the time....."

God has given family, friends, and a heavenly calling. Our desire should be to (1) Learn Christ (2) Live Christ (3) Share Christ and (4) Look for Christ to return. While doing these things, we will be wanting our family and friends to know Him as well. Have we told our children, grandchildren, or friends that Jesus loves them? If not, take the time to do this really soon. There really is an urgency in doing this. No one knows when the last breath will be taken. The hour is close to His coming and we don't want our children and friends to miss His call to come home. I believe the greatest words that have been spoken are these "Jesus loves me, this I know for the Bible tells me so". It is only good news when we "tell it".
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Doing together what we cannot do alone,