

God is Good by Sis. Brenda Rucker

“Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; For His faithfulness is everlasting.” 1 Chronicles 16:34

It’s a common phrase we hear all the time, “God is good all the time. All the time, God is good!” We hear this in our churches and everywhere else the Christian family comes together. We recite the phrase with such joy, enthusiasm, and conviction that there should never be a time when we fail to remember, “God is good all the time.”

For sure, these past few years have proven difficult for us, on so many different levels. We’ve had health concerns and have suffered health issues. Many released loved ones to eternal rest. Others experienced a loss of income and security. Some church fellowships closed their doors permanently, giving cause to question God’s plan.

The Lord has shown us no one is exempt from pain and suffering. Trials, tribulation, and hardship weave a common thread throughout history and our lives. Things happen. And sometimes things happen to us.

The Scriptures give an account of a man who was upright and blameless in all his ways, who suffered tremendous tragedy in his life. The man had every reason in the world to wonder, “Is God really good? If He is good, then why...?” Through his suffering of losses, afflictions, and disappointments Job had questions for God, lots of questions for God...but never once did he question the goodness of God. In this account, we know that when his time of testing was over, our faithful God restored Job’s health and his wealth, exceeding what he had before. But most importantly, Job had a deeper understanding and relationship with the Lord!

Through his experience, we learn that even the “upright and blameless” still experience seasons of testing that grow our faith in the Lord. Through our lifetime, God continues the work of sanctifying each of us to Himself, which generally involves tests, trials, and tribulation.

So, whatever the situation is today, we who know Jesus as Savior and LORD, know that circumstances can never define God’s goodness to His people. And, there’s nothing that can separate us from His goodness and His love. In all situations, in every season of life, remember...

God is good all the time, and His faithfulness is everlasting!