



3/12/23

Good God

Matt. 7:7-12 (NIV)

Worship Center Bible - p. 860

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"The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands." (*Psalms 19:1*)

Outline of the Sermon on the Mount

- **Introduction** – Invitation to the Kingdom – 5:3-16
- **Body of the Sermon** – The Good News of the Kingdom 5:17-7:12
 - Six Lessons about the New Law 5:21-48
 - Three Lessons about Practicing Righteousness 6:1-18
 - Some Lessons for Kingdom Living 6:19-7:12
- **Conclusion** – Make a Decision – 7:13-27

God is good – therefore we should pray more and more and more.

Lamentations 3:44 - You have covered yourself with a cloud so that no prayer can get through.

Psalms 13:1 - How long, LORD? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me?

Biblical Examples Unanswered Prayer

- Moses pled with God to allow him to accompany Israel across the Jordan River. *Request denied.*
- David pled with God for one week to allow his infant son to live. *Request denied.*
- Job pled with God to take his suffering away. *Request denied.*
- Habakkuk prayed for deliverance from the Babylonians. *Request denied.*
- Jeremiah prayed that Jerusalem would not be destroyed. *Request denied.*
- Paul prayed for the removal of his "thorn in the flesh". *Request Denied.*
- Jesus prayed "let this cup pass." *Request denied.*

We may ask with the wrong motives.

James 4:3 - When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.

We may cherish sin in our heart.

Psalms 66:18 - If I had cherished sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened;

We may not care for the plight of the oppressed.

Isaiah 1:15-17 - When you spread out your hands in prayer, I hide my eyes from you; even when you offer many prayers, I am not listening. Your hands are full of blood! Wash and make yourselves clean. Take your evil deeds out of my sight; stop doing wrong. Learn to do right; seek justice. Defend the oppressed. Take up the cause of the fatherless; plead the case of the widow.

God is as good as the _____ is BIG!

This Week @ Crossview

Sun 3/12	8:00am – Prayer Meeting 8:45am & 10:30am – Worship Services
Mon 3/13	6:30-8:00pm – How To Study The Bible [weekly to 3/20]
Tue 3/14	6:30-7:45pm – Crossview 101
Wed 3/5	Noon – Prayer Meeting 6:30-8:30pm – APEX Students [6 th – 12 th]
Thu 3/16	9:00-10:00am – Sr. Fellowship
Sun 3/19	8:00am – Prayer Meeting 8:45am & 10:30am – Worship Services

Coming Soon

Wed 3/22	5:45-7:00pm – BLAST OFF Kids 6:30pm – APEX Meeting Off-Site [MS/HS -Separate Activities]
Wed 3/29	NO APEX [Spring Break]
Sat 4/1	Soul Care Retreat – 8:30am-Noon [Registration Required]
Fri 4/7	6:30pm – Good Friday Service

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