Our Good God

Text: "I Myself will make all My goodness pass before you... (Exodus 33:19)

Belgic Confession, article 1: We all believe in our hearts and confess with our mouths that there is a single and simple spiritual being, whom we call God—eternal, incomprehensible, invisible, unchangeable, infinite, almighty; <u>completely</u> wise, just, and <u>good, and the overflowing source of all good</u>.

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Intro: what is it?

I. Terminology

Grace:

Love:

Mercy:

Longsuffering:

II. The Darkest Day in Israel's History

Now when the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people assembled about Aaron and said to him, "Come, make us a god who will go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up from the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." (Exodus 32:1)

III. Moses' Intercession

IV. God's Goodness

The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, and behold, they are an obstinate people. Now then let Me alone, that My anger may burn against them and that I may destroy them; and I will make of you a great nation." (Exodus 32:9-10)

Application 1: Eternity Past

Application 2: A Good God and my Faith

"If now I have found favor in Your sight, O Lord, I pray, let the Lord go along in our midst, even though the people are so obstinate, and pardon our iniquity and our sin, and take us as Your own possession." (Exodus 34:9)

Application 3: A Good God and my Life

"Other soldiers when they came seized our houses and public buildings and made off with anything they took a fancy to, and our wives and daughters were at their mercy so that the people called them the soldiers of hell. Now General Feng leads his men through the city and nothing is disturbed and no one is molested. Even the General lives in a tent, as his men do, and everything they need they buy, and no one is abused. The people are so delighted they call them the soldiers of heaven."

