

23-0910a - Detailed Summary

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Bible Readers: Mike Mathis and Roger Raines

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God Is So Good

Summary of Transcript (0:03 - 32:51)

Scripture Readings:

1st Scripture Reading (0:03 - 0:45), Mike Mathis

Psalm 139:13-14,

- The speaker reads from Psalms 139:13-14, highlighting that humans are fearfully and wonderfully made by God.

2nd Scripture Reading (0:50 - 1:30), Roger Raines

Romans 5:6-8,

- Reads from Romans 5:6-8, emphasizing Christ's sacrifice for sinners.

Summary

Preacher: Tom Freed

1:35 - 2:08 Greetings

- Acknowledges visitors and those participating via phone, noting the absence of some regular attendees.

2:10 - 2:39 Sermon Introduction on God's Goodness

- Introduces the sermon theme, "God is so good," explaining that it's easy to see God's goodness when life is pleasant.

2:41 - 2:59 Ease of Seeing God's Goodness in Good Times

- Discusses how straightforward it is to recognize God's goodness when life is going according to plan.

3:00 - 3:50 Challenges in Seeing God's Goodness During Hard Times

- Acknowledges that life can be very challenging, even for the righteous.
- Mentions specific congregation members dealing with health issues like cancer.

3:50 - 5:27 Faith in God During Tragedy

- Questions how one can see God's goodness in the face of tragedy like plane crashes, personal health crises, or financial difficulties.
- Discusses different perspectives on interpreting these events, either as questioning God's goodness or as moments to thank God for interventions like timely medical discoveries.

5:28 - 6:10 Dealing with Death

- Reflects on the difficulty of accepting God's goodness when experiencing the death of loved ones, using the example of a child named Austin who died of cancer.

6:12 - 7:45 Personal Experiences and Perspective on Suffering

- Shares personal experience with a family member's health decline post-vaccination, illustrating the choice between resentment and gratitude towards God.

7:47 - 8:08 Reminders of God's Goodness

- Stresses the need for constant reminders of God's unwavering goodness through scripture.

8:09 - 8:24 Scriptural Proof of God's Goodness

- Points out that scripture provides ample evidence of God's goodness, which should be a focal point during hardships.

8:26 - 8:44 Finding Goodness in Hardship

- Encourages looking for God's mercy and goodness even in seemingly hopeless situations.

8:45 - 10:11 Creation as Evidence of God's Goodness

- Argues against evolution, asserting creation by a loving God, referencing Genesis for support.

10:13 - 10:40 Divine Intention in Human Creation

- Quotes Psalm 139 to emphasize that each person is uniquely created with purpose by God.

10:41 - 12:33 Purpose and Calling from Birth

- Uses scriptures from Jeremiah, Isaiah, and Galatians to illustrate that individuals are set apart from birth for divine purposes, connecting this to the anti-abortion argument.

12:34 - 13:03 Christians as God's Workmanship

- Cites Ephesians to describe Christians as God's creations meant for good works.

13:04 - 14:13 Created for God's Glory

- Refers to Isaiah to underline that humans are created to glorify God, reinforcing the goodness of God through creation.

14:15 - 14:50 God's Care for All

- Discusses God's indiscriminate care, providing for both the righteous and the wicked, referencing Matthew.

14:51 - 15:04 God's Support in Old Age

- Quotes Isaiah to reassure that God cares for His people even in old age.

15:05 - 15:28 Prioritizing God's Kingdom

- Encourages focusing on God's kingdom as per Matthew, promising that necessities will be provided.

15:28 - 15:55 Trusting God with Worries

- Advises against anxiety, promoting prayer and trust in God's care as described in 1 Peter and Philippians.

15:57 - 16:41 Peace and Protection by God

- Encourages giving all worries to God, who provides peace beyond understanding and protection, quoting Philippians and Matthew.

16:43 - 18:12 Abundant Life Through Jesus

- Discusses Jesus providing abundant life, contrasting with the thief's intent to destroy, referencing John 10:10.
- Highlights the third reason for God's goodness: sending Jesus to die for our sins, quoting Romans and Isaiah.

18:15 - 18:27 Jesus' Sacrifice

- Notes that Jesus' death was not obligatory but was chosen out of love, despite His request to avoid it.

18:28 - 20:09 The Depth of Jesus' Love

- Emphasizes Jesus' voluntary sacrifice on the cross for humanity, citing John 15:13 and 1 Peter 2:24 as examples of His love.

20:09 - 20:23 Adoption into God's Family

- Introduces the fourth reason for God's goodness: adopting believers into His family, beyond just forgiveness.

20:25 - 21:51 Rights and Privileges of God's Children

- Describes Christians as God's children with rights and privileges, referencing John 1:12-13 and Romans 8:14-15.
- Quotes Matthew 12:48-50 to illustrate the priority of spiritual family over biological.

21:52 - 23:47 Heirs of God

- Explains the concept of being an heir through adoption by the Holy Spirit, with references to Romans 8:16-17 and Titus 3:7.

23:49 - 24:10 God's Unchanging Goodness

- States that God's goodness is immutable, quoting Hebrews 6:18 to affirm God cannot lie.

24:11 - 24:30 Truthfulness of God's Word

- Affirms the reliability of God's promises and prophecies, suggesting they have and will all come true.

24:31 - 25:36 God's Goodness to All

- Cites Psalms and Mark to underline that God's goodness extends to all, but human goodness is limited.

25:37 - 28:11 Sin and Salvation

- Discusses universal sin nature, the necessity of Jesus for salvation, and God's good gifts, including eternal life, referenced from Romans, Psalms, Matthew, and James.

28:13 - 28:56 God's Justice

- Explains that despite His love and mercy, God must judge sin due to His holiness and justice, referencing Psalms and Nahum.

28:58 - 29:07 God's Holiness

- Highlights that God's holiness prevents Him from tolerating sin.

29:09 - 30:40 Atonement and Patience

- Talks about Jesus as the atoning sacrifice for sins, God's patience, and the choice humans have regarding salvation, citing 1 John and 2 Peter.

30:42 - 31:33 Eternal Consequences

- Discusses the consequences of choosing to follow or reject God, quoting Romans and John to illustrate the outcomes.

31:34 - 32:51 God's Generosity and Final Call

- Concludes with the ease of God's plan for salvation through Jesus, and a call to action for those not yet saved or needing reconciliation, referencing Romans and 2 Corinthians.