



LIVING IN THE GOODNESS OF GOD

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DAY 1 – THE GOODNESS OF GOD MEETS ALL NEEDS

The goodness of God will meet all needs. Your job, meeting the needs of people, is important. You are responsible to help God and minister to Him. We are the servants of The LORD. We minister as He directs.

STUDY IT

- I. The goodness of God will meet all needs.
 - Paul's needs were met by others (Philippians 4:18-19).
 - God has needs—He has chosen to need people.
 - The kingdom of God is a family affair with Him.
 - God has covenants to fulfill, and He needs His people to help.
 - Jesus needed things while He was on earth.
 - He needed a staff of people.
 - Jesus needed a treasurer to take care of the funds that came into His ministry.
 - He needed disciples so He could teach and train them, and they would be ready to continue the message of God's goodness when He left the earth.
 - Jesus called the 12 disciples, then He called 70 more to minister.

- II. Your job, meeting the needs of people, is important.
 - When you understand your assignment, you are in a position to grow financially.
 - Most people don't know what their spiritual job is.
 - A job is created to solve someone's problem. Someone has a requirement that needs to be fulfilled.
 - Your job should shift your focus away from yourself.
 - Concepts, ideas and motives focus your efforts in the right direction.
 - Many of the top financially successful men in the United States had the right concept: They were in business to help people.

- III. You are responsible to help God and minister to Him.
 - Prophets, teachers and other believers ministered to The LORD and fasted (Acts 13:2).





- The Spirit of The LORD spoke to separate Barnabas and Paul for the work they were called to do. They were meeting the needs of Jesus.
 - There were prophets and teachers gathered together to fast, pray and minister unto The LORD.
 - We are commanded to grieve not the Holy Spirit (Ephesians 4:30). That means it is possible to grieve Him. Minister love to God.
 - Jesus has to do things He would rather not do. At the end of the age, He'll have to say, "Depart from Me. I never knew you" (Matthew 7:23). Minister love to Jesus.
- IV. We are the servants of The LORD. We minister as He directs.
- Years ago, farmers hired seasonal workers called "hands."
 - Crews would go from farm to farm to help with the harvest.
 - Preparing the soil for planting is hard work. Hoeing the weeds by hand is tiresome. When the harvest comes, it is a great reward.
 - We are God's "hands" to meet the needs of people.
 - Don't be concerned with your needs.
 - Look up! God is interested in meeting the needs of the whole world—beginning with salvation.

MAKE IT PERSONAL

God's goodness wants you to live the abundant life.

If you have a need in your life, first you must repent for unbelief and pray for The LORD's help to change your belief. God is good, and He wants to be good to you.

Father, I realize You are a good God and You want me to have a good life. I repent for believing You are withholding what I need—that I can't trust You. Help me, Sir, to change my belief, my thoughts and my words to match Your words of goodness.

Next, determine to thank God for all He does for you on a continual basis.

Father, thank You for all You do for me. Thank You for air to breathe, for protecting and providing for me all the time. Thank You for helping me find what I want and need at the store, and for making sure I have the money to pay for it! Thank You for saving me and making a place for me in heaven with You. Thank You for so many things—for all that You do for me. I choose to be thankful to You at all times. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

Then, expect your needs to be met by your good God!



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DAY 2 – REST IN THE GOODNESS OF GOD

We can rest in the goodness of God because He is a good God. Our needs are met as we meet the needs of God and people through ministry. God intends for man to be in good health.

STUDY IT

- I. We can rest in the goodness of God because He is a good God.
 - We can easily separate evil from good.
 - Evil comes to steal, kill and destroy. God comes to give life more abundantly (John 10:10).

- II. Our needs are met as we meet the needs of God and people through ministry.
 - It's our calling to meet the needs of people.
 - We must be like Jesus who said, "I didn't come to be served. I came to serve" (see Matthew 20:28, *NKJV*).
 - Jesus told Janny Grein, a Christian singer/songwriter, *Janny, you don't owe Me anything. I gave Myself for you and to you. I'm a gift.*
 - If a pilot flies to meet the needs of people, he will enjoy his job.
 - One pilot was told, "Go look at all the people in the plane." He realized that all those people depended on him for their lives.
 - Now, he's not flying for a living. He is flying to meet the needs of the people.
 - His needs are met by what he is doing for others.

- III. God intends for man to be in good health.
 - As ministers, be sure to study healing to *receive* healing, not just to preach it.
 - Good health includes at least one day a week of rest.
 - Jesus said, "The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the sabbath" (Mark 2:27).
 - Brother Copeland found himself working too much.
 - He began calling his body his sacrifice to emphasize to himself that his life was to be a sacrifice to God.



- Brother Copeland changed his attitude toward exercise.
 - Jesus said, *Kenneth, I sacrificed My body for you; now you sacrifice your body for Me.*
 - Now, he exercises with joy, because he is sacrificing to the One he loves—Jesus.
- You can rest your spirit by praying in unknown tongues (see Acts 2:4).
 - “For with stammering lips and another tongue He will speak to this people, to whom He said, ‘This is the rest with which You may cause the weary to rest,’ and, ‘This is the refreshing’” (Isaiah 28:11-12, *NKJV*).
- If you need to, schedule a day of rest.
 - What’s on the schedule? Say, “Nothing. I’m scheduled to rest.”

MAKE IT PERSONAL

It seems unusual to believe that *you* can minister to The LORD. What does God need?

- God is self-sufficient; but He has chosen to need fellowship with you.
- God needs your attention—your love, appreciation, praise and worship.
- God needs you to help Him carry out His plan for people in the earth.



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DAY 3 – HOW JESUS MINISTERED THE GOODNESS OF GOD

God is a good God, and He is completely, absolutely, totally good. Believers are to grow up to maturity. Jesus ministered the goodness of God by laying His hands on people for healing. Laying on of hands is sacred and precious in the sight of God. When you lay hands on someone, expect things to change.

STUDY IT

- I. God is a good God, and He is completely, absolutely, totally good.
 - The mission statement of this ministry and Kenneth and Gloria Copeland's personal calling: Go and teach babies to the place where they can discern good from evil and are skillful in righteousness; help the Body of Christ grow up to maturity (see Hebrews 5:13-14).
 - That is the purpose of Kenneth Copeland Bible College®: to train people to the place where they can teach others to grow up spiritually.

- II. Believers are to grow up to maturity (Hebrews 6:1-3).
 - There are sacred fundamental doctrines of the teaching of Christ.
 1. Repentance from dead works.
 - It's necessary.
 2. Faith toward God.
 - Faith—that's Brother Copeland's business.
 - Without faith it's impossible to please God (Hebrews 11:6).
 - Jesus taught faith more than anything else.
 - Faith in God went right on over into Acts and into the letters of Paul.
 - Paul quoted the psalmist, "We believe; therefore, we speak." Yes, we believe, therefore we have spoken (see 2 Corinthians 4:13).
 3. Doctrine of baptisms.
 - Baptism in water (see Mark 1:9).
 - Baptized into His death, buried with Him, raised with Him to walk in newness of life (see Romans 6:3-4).
 - Baptism in the Spirit (see Acts 2:1-4).
 4. Laying on of hands.



- 5. Resurrection of the dead.
- 6. Eternal judgment.

III. Jesus ministered the goodness of God by laying His hands on people for healing.

- Jairus asked Jesus to come lay His hands on his daughter, and she would live (Mark 5:22-23). That was Jairus' faith talking.
- Jesus taught in His hometown where there was much unbelief. He laid hands on only a few people who were healed (Mark 6:5).

IV. Laying on of hands is sacred and precious in the sight of God.

- Pray and prepare yourself first before you lay hands on someone.
- If you are preaching in someone else's church, be cautious about laying hands on anyone.
 - The people in that church may accept the idea of healing as a tradition, but they might not have any faith in the laying on of hands.

V. When you lay hands on someone, expect things to change.

- Brother Oral Roberts had a manifestation of power in his right hand to the point it would hurt. He would not minister to anyone until that manifestation was there.
 - Brother Roberts laid hands on his son, Richard Roberts, and he has the same manifestation in his left arm.
 - Back in the 50s, people didn't know much about spiritual things. They had to be taught to have a level of faith about the laying on of hands.
- Don't judge the effectiveness of your ministry by whether someone falls in the spirit or not.
- We should be laying hands on people only at the instruction of The LORD.

MAKE IT PERSONAL

In everything Jesus did, He ministered the goodness of God to people. How can you minister the goodness of God to those around you?

Make a list of things you do now, or could do in the future to minister God's goodness in your daily life. For example: Speak love. Prefer others above yourself.



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DAY 4 – EXPECT A PHYSICAL MANIFESTATION OF THE GOODNESS OF GOD

God wants His people to mature to spiritual adulthood. When Jesus laid hands on someone, there was a physical manifestation of the goodness of God. Brother Kenneth E. Hagin had a vision of Jesus. Jesus told people that He was Anointed. Brother Copeland prayed, “God, we need more power.”

STUDY IT

- I. God wants His people to mature to spiritual adulthood (Hebrews 5:14).
 - The fundamental doctrines are: repentance from dead works, faith toward God, doctrine of baptisms, laying on of hands, resurrection of the dead and eternal judgment.
 - The doctrine of the resurrection of the dead includes Jesus being raised from the dead.
 - Another resurrection is the catching away of the Church that will be raised up to glory.
 - There is also a coming resurrection of the bodies of believers who have died.
 - In the final judgment, the dead who have suffered in hell will be resurrected and joined with their bodies.
 - The doctrine of eternal judgment is not only referring to the Great White Throne Judgment.
 - We are to judge ourselves.
 - We are not to judge other people lest we be judged.

- II. When Jesus laid hands on someone, there was a physical manifestation of the goodness of God.
 - As many as touched Him were healed, and as many as He laid hands on, who accepted it, were healed.
 - Peter’s mother-in-law had a high fever. Jesus touched her hand, and the fever left her (Matthew 8:14-15).
 - Jesus Himself took our infirmities and bore our sicknesses (Isaiah 53:4; Matthew 8:17).
 - Don’t be in a hurry as you lay hands on people.



- Sometimes, it's appropriate to have a healing line and go from one person to another, laying hands on them and moving on.
 - Other times, the Spirit of The LORD will stop you and allow you to minister longer to a person.
- III. Brother Kenneth E. Hagin had a vision of Jesus.
- Brother Hagin was in the spirit and saw Jesus. He fell at Jesus' feet and said, "I'm unworthy to look on Your face." Jesus said, "Stand up! I made you worthy with My blood."
 - During the vision, Jesus gave Brother Hagin a special anointing to lay hands on the sick.
 - Jesus put His finger in the palm of each one of Brother Hagin's hands. Brother Hagin's hands started burning like fire.
 - As he laid hands on people, he could tell when the fire jumped from his hands to the person he was ministering to. He would say, "There it is. Take it!"
 - People need help believing in the goodness of God.
 - Jesus told Brother Hagin, "Tell people you have seen Me. How can they believe if you don't tell them?"
- IV. Jesus told people He was Anointed (see Luke 4:18).
- Jesus was telling them He was the Christ, the Messiah, if they could hear it. He had to tell it for them to have faith for it.
 - If you're going to have faith for the laying on of hands in the congregation, you're going to have to teach on it.
 - If you want the manifestation of the gifts of the Spirit, you're going to have to take the time to teach the people and develop it.
 - Don't pray for God to send the Spirit. The Holy Spirit is already here. God has already sent the power.
- V. Brother Copeland prayed, "God, we need more power."
- God answered, *Where am I going to get more power?*
 - The LORD said, *I could have filled you with an angel, but I didn't trust you to an angel. I filled you with Myself. I'm the One who is living in you. I am the power. Now, exercise some faith in that power, and expect it to flow all the time. Expect it to flow when you're teaching, preaching, all the time. You're not just anointed once in a while. Walk in it; talk in it; live in it. Get up in the morning expecting something!*
 - Expect and receive the power of God to heal you!



MAKE IT PERSONAL

Like Jesus, Paul and the apostles, you can lay hands on the sick, and they will recover. You will be ministering the goodness of God to a person in need.

If this is your desire, study the Gospels and the book of Acts. You must develop faith in God's love and power. Refuse any doubt or unbelief that God wants that person to be healed. Be totally convinced that when you lay your hands on that person, they will experience a physical manifestation of healing.

Don't base your faith on the reaction of a person. Base your faith on the love, power and goodness of God! Expect God to heal!



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DAY 5 – LET THE GOODNESS OF GOD FLOW THROUGH YOU

Let the goodness of God flow through you. Jesus was teaching the goodness of God in a synagogue to bring faith to the hearers. The goodness of God flowed through believers in the book of Acts.

STUDY IT

- I. Let the goodness of God flow through you.
 - We honor the gift of laying on of hands because we honor the Master.
 - There are ceremonies to lay hands on people to dedicate them to a specific office or calling.
 - Laying hands can be just a formality. The people may be going through the motions yet denying the power of God.
 - Get away from a place that denies God's power.
 - Pray and find out what church you are to attend. Don't just chose one that is close to your house or an advantage to your job.
 - Find the church God wants you to attend; then get a house and job near it.
 - The effectiveness of laying on of hands depends on the faith of the person who is ministering and the person receiving the touch.

- II. Jesus was teaching the goodness of God in a synagogue to bring faith to the hearers (Luke 13:10).
 - When Jesus saw the lady bent over, He didn't believe she should stay in that condition any longer.
 - The goodness of God moved Jesus to say, "Woman, thou are loosed from thine infirmity" (Luke 13:12).
 - Jesus laid His hands on her. That's when the power went into her.
 - Jesus believed in His heart and said with His mouth (see Romans 10:9-10).
When He laid hands on her, the power was transmitted, and she was healed.
 - The transmission occurred through His hands.
 - You and your congregation ought to be loosed and free today.
 - Lay hands on people, and let the power flow.
 - Healing is not a reward.



- Even if you are a minister, you have to believe for your healing just like everyone else.
- III. The goodness of God flowed through believers in the book of Acts.
- The power for signs and wonders came on the believers by the hands of the apostles (Acts 5:12).
 - Ananias laid hands on blind Saul, so he could be healed and filled with the Spirit (Acts 9:17-18).
 - Later, Paul found believers who had not heard of the Holy Spirit. Paul laid hands on them and they were filled with the Spirit and spoke in tongues (Acts 19:6).
 - Paul spoke and special miracles came by his hands (Acts 19:11).
 - It doesn't say Paul had a special physical manifestation. He laid hands on people, and they were healed. Paul had faith, and they had faith.
 - Paul laid hands on the father of Publius (Acts 28:8). He was healed.
 - Laying hands was the process to receive healing. That's what people saw, and they had faith in God that He would work the same way for them.
 - The disciples prayed for God to give them boldness and the ability to speak His WORD by stretching forth His hand to heal (Acts 4:29-30).
 - "By the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people" (Acts 5:12).

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