

2 So here I am in the place of worship, eyes open, <u>drinking in your strength and glory</u>. Psalm 63:2 (MSG)

- 2 ...sing yourselves into his presence. Psalm 100:2 (MSG)
- Worship allows us to be present in His presence.
- An encounter with God changes everything.

song: Goodness of God (Bethel Music)

15 I cannot count the times when you have faithfully rescued me from danger. I will tell everyone how good you are, and of your constant, daily care. 16 I walk in the strength of the Lord God. I tell everyone that you alone are just and good. Psalm 71:15-16 (TLB)

• Your relationship with God is personal, not private.

Worship is not a part of the Christian's life; it is the Christian's life.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good! His faithful love endures forever. Psalm 106:1 (NLT) 13 If we are unfaithful, he (God) remains faithful because he cannot be untrue to himself. 2 Timothy 2:13 (GWT)

God's goodness:

• ...is not limited by my failures.

15 But you, O Lord, are a merciful and loving God, <u>always</u> patient, always kind and faithful. Psalm 86:15 (TEV)

...is often revealed in my <u>darkest hour</u>.

28 LORD, you give light to my lamp. My God brightens the darkness around me. Psalm 18:28 (NCV)

4 Even when I walk through the darkest valley, I will not be afraid, for you are close beside me. Your rod and your staff protect and comfort me. Psalm 23:4 (NLT)

7 Where could I go to escape from you? Where could I get away from your presence? Psalm 139:7 (TEV)

"There is nothing you can do about being present with God,

but it's up to you whether you benefit from His presence." Levi Lusko

8 Find out for yourself how good the LORD is. Happy are those who find safety with him. Psalm 34:8 (TEV)

...is experienced in His <u>forgiveness</u> of my <u>sin</u>.

8 But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners. Romans 5:8 (TLB)

(God) does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities...as far as the east is from the west, <u>so far has He removed our transgressions from us</u>. Psalm 103:10-12

6 Surely your goodness and unfailing love will pursue me all the days of my life, and I will live in the house of the LORD forever. Psalm 23:6 (NLT)



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Questions that can be used in Connection Groups: These questions also work well for personal time with God.

- What scripture and/or point spoke most to you from the Talk on Sunday? Why?
- In your own words explain how worship allows us to be present in God's presence.
- How does an encounter with God change everything?
- When you think about God's goodness, do you think primarily about the things He does for you or what He doesn't do that you deserve?
- Do you think our response to God's goodness affects our connection with God? Explain.
- Play the song: "Goodness of God" Bethel music (Link: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lvSuGyJQ6oM</u>) How does this song connect you to God? How does it challenge you?
- How do you respond to the goodness of God? (Do you keep it to yourself or share with others what God has done?)
- What does it mean to you that God's goodness is not limited by your failures?
- When you recall God's presence helping you in your darkest hour, what is the emotion you feel? Can you share a time when God came through for you in a difficult time?
- Discuss how God's goodness is displayed in forgiving our sins? When you think of God forgiving you, what is the emotion you feel? What is your response to His forgiveness?

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Today's Talk ..



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