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James 1:1-18

God is absolute goodness. God's proclamation of "it is good" is evidence of His goodness in creation. Therefore, what God creates, does, and gives is good, pure, true, and right. James makes this point with double emphasizes by saying that "every good and perfect gift is from above."

God's goodness is unchangeable. It does not vary by time or situation or people; it is like a light that cannot be extinguished or blocked or interrupted. Trials in life cannot diminish or negate God's loving grace at work in a life of faith. Thus, the believer should deliberately maintain a joyous attitude while experiencing external afflictions, which test and strengthen faith for the good of the believer's life.

God has a purpose through His goodness. It is God's will that we be born again (see John 3:1-16) through the gospel of Jesus Christ, the word of truth, and that we be a demonstration of His goodness through our lives.

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