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# RE- FLECTING GOD

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Proverbs 3:27-35

I saw a bumper sticker on the back of a large pickup truck that read, "Yes, this is my truck, and, no, you cannot borrow it." How often do we get requested to help someone? To give a little time, energy, and money to this person or to that cause. Sometimes the request comes from those who are seemingly in true need. Other times, not so much.

Proverbs 3:27 calls us to not withhold good from those to whom it is due. However, this raises the question: to whom do we owe our good? After all, we've all been burned by someone who has returned our kindness with mistreatment. With so many cries for help today, how do we know where to turn our attention?

Jesus' story of the good Samaritan (Luke 10:30-37) is a reminder that the one who deserves our goodness is the one riding down the interstate of life who is in the lane alongside, just in front or behind us. God's pickup is always available. Any goodness that we have to share comes from God, not us. He supplies what we need to care for others in our path.

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