

The Goodness of God

Job 34:1-37

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Introduction: As an ambassador of God, Elihu's job was to help reconcile Job to God. As he listened to Job's words, he detected Job doubting God's goodness. So he confronts Job to rethink what he has been saying and repent. Now Job isn't the only one who needs to repent of doubting God's goodness – we all do. Blunt honesty with ourselves reveals that questioning God's goodness is an epidemic. Let's face it, these blasphemous moments come and go in the believer's soul, and if they lodge themselves in our thinking, they can neutralize us or destroy us. In order to remedy this problem, I want to study Elihu's message on the goodness of God and point you to five stabilizing theological truths.

I. God's Goodness is the Standard (vs. 1-4)

II. God's Goodness is Demonstrated in His Provision (33:22-24)

III. God's Goodness Transcends the Negative (vs. 5-9)

IV. God's Goodness is Expressed in His Attributes (vs. 10-30)

- A. He is just in His judgment (vs. 10-11)
- B. He is sovereign over all the earth (vs. 12-13)
- C. He is a sustainer of life (vs. 14-15)
- D. He is not a respecter of persons (vs. 16-20)
- E. He is omniscient (vs. 21-25)
- F. He is an executor of Justice (vs. 26-30)

V. God's Goodness Leads to Repentance (vs. 31-33)

- A. By recognizing your sin and guilt (vs. 31a)
- B. By turning from your sin (vs. 31b)
- C. By humbling yourself before God (vs. 32a)
- D. By resolving to sin no more (vs. 32b-33)

Conclusion:

