

NO OTHER STREAM:
The Goodness vs. Safety of God
Message Notes ~ January 13, 2008

1. Resting in God Before We _____ for God.

“I know who you are—the Holy One of God!” Luke 4.34

“What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God?” the demon-thronged Legion asked.” Luke 8.28

“These men are servants of the Most High God, who are telling you the way to be saved.” Acts 16.17

“You believe that there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that –and shudder.” James 2.19

What does it mean to know God so well that we trust Him no matter what?

2. Is He _____?

“How long, O LORD, must I call for help, but you do not listen? Or cry out to you, ‘Violence!’ but you do not save?” Habakkuk 1.2

“I am raising up the Babylonians, that ruthless and impetuous people, who sweep across the whole earth to seize dwelling places not their own. They are a feared and dreaded people; they are a law to themselves and promote their own honor.” Habakkuk 1.6-7

“Your eyes are too pure to look on evil; you cannot tolerate wrong. Why then do you tolerate the treacherous? Why are you silent while the wicked swallow up those more righteous than themselves?” Habakkuk 1.13

“... but the righteous will live by his faith.” Habakkuk 2.4

3. The Testimony of Leaves

“When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, a smoking firepot with a blazing torch appeared and passed between the pieces.” Genesis 15.17

“When God made his covenant with Abraham, since there was no one greater for him to swear by, he swore by himself...Because God wanted to make the unchanging nature of his purpose very clear to the heirs of what was promised, he confirmed it with an oath. God did this so that, by two unchangeable things (the promise and the oath) in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled to take hold of the hope offered to us may be greatly encouraged. We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure.” Hebrews 6.13, 17-19

“We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about the hardships we suffered...We were under great pressure, far beyond our ability to endure, so that we despaired even of life. Indeed, in our hearts we felt the sentence of death...” 2 Corinthians 1.8-9

“... I have been in prison more frequently, been flogged more severely, and been exposed to death again and again. Five times I received from...forty lashes...Three times I was beaten with rods, once I was stoned, three times I was shipwrecked, I spent a night and a day in the open sea...I have been in danger from rivers, in danger from bandits, in danger from my own countrymen, in danger from Gentiles; in danger in the city, in danger in the country, in danger at sea; and in danger from false brothers. I have...often gone without sleep; I have known hunger and thirst...I have been cold and naked. Besides everything else, I face daily the pressure of my concern for all the churches.” 2 Corinthians 11.23-28

“But this happened that we might not rely on ourselves but on God, who raises the dead. He has delivered us from such deadly peril, and he will deliver us. On him we have set our hope.” 2 Corinthians 1.9-10

“Count it all joy, my brothers, when you go through trials of many kinds.” James 1.2

Three Guarantees:

God is faithful to _____ our sins if we _____ them.

“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.” 1 John 1.9

God is faithful to make us _____ and _____ before Christ.

“May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful and he will do it.” 1 Thessalonians 5.23-24

God is faithful to get us _____.

“However, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.” Luke 10.20