

THE GOODNESS
&
SEVERITY
OF GOD

Romans 11:22

FALSE VIEWS OF GOD

- **The God of the New Covenant is not the God of the Old Covenant.**
- **God's grace means He is lenient toward sin.**
- **God's goodness and unwillingness for men to perish means hardly any will perish.**

GOD'S GOODNESS AND SEVERITY REVEALED IN THE GOSPEL

The Goodness of God is the Provision of Salvation

- Salvation provided in the gospel – *Romans 1:16*
- “*Goodness*” expressed toward man in saving them from their sins
– *Ephesians 2:4-8; Titus 3:4-7; Romans 2:4*

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The Severity of God is the Reason for the Gospel

- God's wrath is the reason men need saving – *Romans 1:18*
- God is holy, and sin separates man from Him – *1 John 1:5; Isaiah 59:1-2; Romans 6:23*
- The goodness of God was poured out in the darkness of severity – *Romans 3:23-26; 8:3; Isaiah 53:4-6*

CONSIDER THE GOODNESS AND SEVERITY OF GOD

The Reality of Both is Cause for Serious Thought

- God is giving us fair warning – *Romans 11:19-23*
- God is impartial in His administration of both – *Romans 2:6-11*
- The conditions for both are universal – *Romans 1:16*
- We must make sure we are aligned with God's goodness –
2 Corinthians 13:5

Both Will be Fully Revealed in the End –

2 Thessalonians 1:6-10; Galatians 6:7-8

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