

TASTE THE GOODNESS OF GOD

November 27, 2016 Psalm 27:13-14 by Bob Branch

BIG IDEA: No matter what has happened, is happening, or will happen in your life, God is good, and invites you to know and experience that goodness every day and build your life on it!

- **Declare aloud who God is** (1, 3)
- **Be Real with God** (2-3, 9-10)
- **Remember God's goodness** (13)
- **Take a long view of things** (14)

¹³ I remain confident of this:

I will see the goodness of the LORD
in the land of the living.

¹⁴ Wait for the LORD;

be strong and take heart

and wait for the LORD. **Psalm 27:13-14**

I remain confident... What makes you confident?

I remain confident of this... real confidence comes from truth.

Not matter what's happening right now... tough times never last...

"For our present troubles are small and won't last very long. Yet they produce for us a glory that vastly outweighs them and will last forever! So we don't look at the troubles we can see now; rather, we fix our gaze on things that cannot be seen. For the things we see now will soon be gone, but the things we cannot see will last forever." **2 Corinthians. 4:17-18** NLT (4:8-9)

I will see/experience/taste the goodness of the Lord...

"The LORD is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in him" **Nahum 1:7** (Ps. 25:8)

God is good. What does that mean?

He is **generous**, giving good things generously.
(James 1:17)

He is **looking out for us**, doing what is best for us.
(Psalm 23:6 all)

He is gracious, accepting and **welcoming**.
(Luke 15:20)

He is **enjoyable**, & his works are a pleasure to him.
(Phil. 2:13)

"Taste and see that the LORD is good. Oh, the joys of those who take refuge in him!" **Psalm 34:8** NLT

While I am alive... take the long view.

"Stay with God! Take heart. Don't quit. I'll say it again: Stay with God." **Psalm 27:14** Message