

Good morning, Church. Daily Reading, Luke 23.

Psalm 31:19 "How great is the goodness you have stored up for those who fear you.

You lavish it on those who come to you for protection, blessing them before the watching world." (NLT)

When God had given Joseph the wisdom to interpret Pharaoh's dream that Egypt would experience 7 good years of harvest, followed by 7 very lean years, Joseph was put in charge of collecting grain during the good years and storing the grain away for the lean years. Having an abundance not only allowed Egypt to feed its own people, but it was also able to profit off all who did not know a severe famine was on its way.

The time finally came for Israel to send his sons to purchase grain for Egypt. Not knowing they were actually dealing with Joseph, whom they had sold into slavery years before, they were well taken care of. Joseph blessed his family because of the goodness of God.

What did the storehouse of God's goodness look like? Maybe it was the literal barns full of grain that helped sustain God's people during years of famine. Maybe it was God being with David as he flung his first stone that killed Goliath. Maybe it was the angel that destroyed 185,000 Assyrians. Maybe it was God putting a servant girl as queen who saved her people from complete slaughter.

What we know from the above verse is that God has a storehouse of His goodness stock piled so high that He will never run out of blessings. When Joseph's brothers did not fear God when they sold their brother, Joseph had a great reverence for God, and God opened the storehouse door and provided. The same is true of David, and a young, beautiful servant girl, and a host of other men and women who the world has seen the miraculous happen through. God does not hide His goodness, but rather, He puts it on full display before a watching world. God is still opening His storehouse of blessings.

Happy Friday. I hope you are in church this Sunday.