

# The Case for God's Good Nature | James 1:16-18

#### **Lesson Theme:**

Understanding and trusting in the true nature of God's goodness equips the believer for the battle against all trials and temptations.

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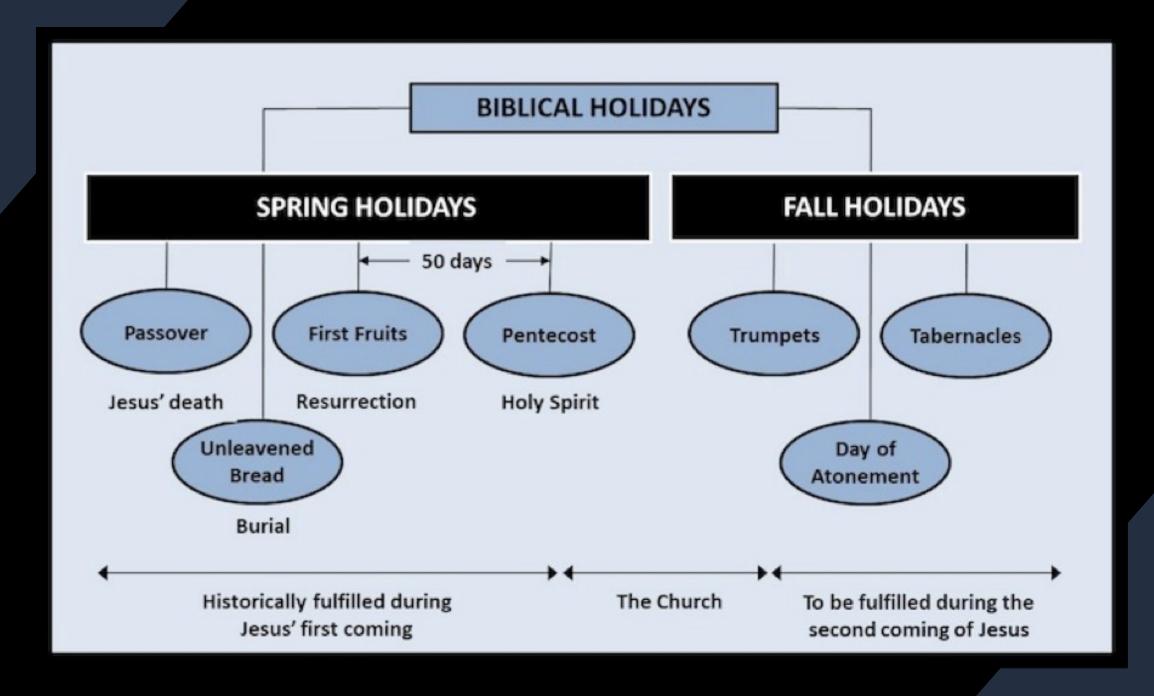
- I. God's Goodness <u>Defended</u> (vs.16)
  - > Exhortation (16a)
  - > Endearment (16b)

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- I. God's Goodness Defended (vs.16)
- II. God's Goodness <u>Described</u> (vs.17)
  - ➤ In His Giving (17a)
  - ➤ In His Holiness (17b)
  - ➤ In His Immutability (17c)

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- III. God's Goodness <u>Displayed</u> (vs.18)
  - Sovereign Will to <u>Save Sinners</u> (18a)
  - Sovereign will to <u>Set Sinners Apart</u> (18b)



#### Lessons...

- I. In a world where God's character is misrepresented, guard yourself by studying the Scriptures and being discerning. (Heb.5:14; Phil.1:9-10)
- II. Cultivate a habit of gratitude through the meditation on the good character of God. (Ps. 34:8; 145:9-10; 1 Chr.16:34)
- III. Live as testimonies of God's good work of salvation in your life. (1 Pet. 1:45; Matt.5:6)