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10 Daniel Brown

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*“Trust in the Lord with all  
your heart and do not lean on  
your own understanding.”*

Proverb 3:5

- *“Fight the good fight”*
- *“Keep the faith”*
- *“Finish the course”*



## God is Good...All the Time, God is Good

By Dan Jenkins

I am not sure the first time I heard the saying, “God is good all the time and all the time God is good.” Recently, I have been thinking about these words, and they have become even more meaningful to me. May I share with you some of the ways I have been using this phrase and how it has helped me?

### God Is Faithful, All the Time—All the Time, God Is Faithful

Throughout the Bible, there is the assurance that we can trust every promise, every assurance and every word God has said. For example, when God promised to protect us

from being tempted above that which we are able to bear and then promised to provide a way of escape in every temptation, it is tied to the words, *“God is faithful”* (1 Corinthians 10:13). We can trust God because it is impossible for Him to lie (Titus 1:2). We can always trust God.

### **God Is Merciful, All the Time—All the Time, God Is Merciful**

Think about these words from Moses: *“Therefore know that the Lord your God, He is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant for a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments”* (Deuteronomy 7:9). How long is a thousand generations? If we think of a generation being thirty years, then God’s mercy is always here—even for 30,000 years! To sense the magnitude of this poetic expression of a thousand generations, remember that from Adam to the birth of Jesus there are only sixty generations! All the time, God is merciful.

**God Is \_\_\_\_\_ All the Time  
All the Time, God Is \_\_\_\_\_**

As we deal with situations in our own life, fill in the blanks above with our own thoughts about any of the attributes of God. God is holy, pure, gracious, good, compassionate, loving, caring, listening, forgiving, almighty, knowing, present, near, watching, helping, etc. The list is endless because there is no exception to His abiding nature. His eyes are always over us, and His ears are always open. His arms are always outstretched. They embrace us, and His tender hands caress us. While He has the whole world in His hands, the truth is that He has me and you individually in His hands, even when in those darkest hours we forget it.

The attributes of God are not finite and capable of being limited by time. They cannot be limited by any measurement. God is infinite and every attribute of His nature is infinite. We speak of the fact that God is

omniscient (all-knowing), that He is omnipotent (all-powerful), and omnipresent (always present in every place). Every attribute of God is timeless. He never changes for He cannot be limited. So, when you read of the God of Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, and all those in the Bible, add our name to that list, for God is always God!

### **Tell the Truth**

By Kevin Cauley

It is important that we tell the truth regardless of how uncomfortable that may be. That does not mean that we must be mean spirited or belligerent to do it. We must speak the truth in love (Ephesians 4:15). Lies, however, are so appealing to many today. This is because people generally want to justify how they act without worrying about whether what they are saying and doing is right or wrong. A lie is an easy way to justify oneself. The Bible tells us where this deceptiveness originates—in our own hearts! *“The heart is deceitful above all things, And desperately wicked; Who can know it?”* (Jeremiah 17:9). Fortunately, God has given us the truth so that we can expose the lies. *“Your word I have hidden in my heart, That I might not sin against You”* (Psalm 119:11).

What is more difficult than telling the truth to another person who does not want to hear it is telling the truth to yourself. My heart has already persuaded me to believe some false justification and in order for me to change, I must tell myself that I am wrong! That is not easy to do, but that is what repentance is all about, acknowledging the falsehoods in our lives, rejecting them, and moving in the other direction away from them. This takes time. God waited nine months to send Nathan to David regarding his sin with Bathsheba. Why did God not send Nathan immediately? The only reason I can think of is that David’s heart was not ready to change, but God knew that David would once he got over himself. We all need to get over ourselves and let God’s powerful word transform our lives. To do that, we must keep telling the truth to others and ourselves, no matter how uncomfortable that might be.