Gods Works vs Gods Ways

God wants all Humanity Saved but the Decision is up to Each of Us.

Slide 3. [Psa 95:10 KJV] 10 Forty years long was I grieved with [this] generation, and said, It [is] a people that do err in their heart, and they have not known my ways:

[Jos 24:15 KJV] 15 And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that [were] on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.

Slide 4/5. [2Ch 30:17-20 KJV] 17 For [there were] many in the congregation that were not sanctified: therefore the Levites had the charge of the killing of the passovers for every one [that was] not clean, to sanctify [them] unto the LORD. 18 For a multitude of the people, [even] many of Ephraim, and Manasseh, Issachar, and Zebulun, had not cleansed themselves, yet did they eat the passover otherwise than it was written. But Hezekiah prayed for them, saying, The good LORD pardon every one 19 [That] prepareth his heart to seek God, the LORD God of his fathers, though [he be] not [cleansed] according to the purification of the sanctuary. 20 And the LORD hearkened to Hezekiah, and healed the people.

[2Ch 30:18-20 NLT] 18 Most of those who came from Ephraim, Manasseh, Issachar, and Zebulun had not purified themselves. But King Hezekiah prayed for them, and they were allowed to eat the Passover meal anyway, even though this was contrary to the requirements of the Law. For Hezekiah said, "May the LORD, who is good, pardon those 19 who decide to follow the LORD, the God of their ancestors, even though they are not properly cleansed for the ceremony." 20 And the LORD listened to Hezekiah's prayer and healed the people.

Moses knew Some of God's ways and wanted to know More. The Children of Israel knew God's works. They were not interested in His Ways.

Slide 6. [Exo 14:21-22, 31 KJV] 21 And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the LORD caused the sea to go [back] by a strong east wind all that night, and made the sea dry [land], and the waters were divided. 22 And the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea upon the dry [ground]: and the waters [were] a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left. ... 31 And Israel saw that great work which the LORD did upon the Egyptians: and the people feared the LORD, and believed the LORD, and his servant Moses.

To Know God's Ways is to Know Him.

Slide 7. [Exo 33:12-13 KJV] 12 And Moses said unto the LORD, See, thou sayest unto me, Bring up this people: and thou hast not let me know whom thou wilt send with me. Yet thou hast said, I know thee by name, and thou hast also found grace in my sight. 13 Now therefore, I pray thee, if I have found grace in thy sight, shew me now thy way, that I may know thee, that I may find grace in thy sight: and consider that this nation [is] thy people.

Slide 8. [Psa 103:7 KJV] 7 He made known his ways unto Moses, his acts unto the children of Israel.

His Commandments Reflect His Ways

Slide 9. [Deu 8:6 KJV] 6 Therefore thou shalt keep the commandments of the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, and to fear him.

Slide 10. [Deu 10:12 KJV] 12 And now, Israel, what doth the LORD thy God require of thee, but to fear the LORD thy God, to walk in all his ways, and to love him, and to serve the LORD thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul,

[Deu 11:22 KJV] 22 For if ye shall diligently keep all these commandments which I command you, to do them, to love the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, and to cleave unto him;

Benefits of Walking In His Ways

Slide 11. [Deu 19:9 KJV] 9 If thou shalt keep all these commandments to do them, which I command thee this day, to love the LORD thy God, and to walk ever in his ways; then shalt thou add three cities more for thee, beside these three:

Joshua reminded them.

Slide 12. [Jos 22:5 KJV] 5 But take diligent heed to do the commandment and the law, which Moses the servant of the LORD charged you, to love the LORD your God, and to walk in all his ways, and to keep his commandments, and to cleave unto him, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul.

Human Ways

Slide 13. [Pro 5:21 KJV] 21 For the ways of man [are] before the eyes of the LORD, and he pondereth all his goings.

Slide 14. [Pro 14:12 KJV] 12 There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof [are] the ways of death.

Slide 14. [Pro 16:2, 25 KJV] 2 All the ways of a man [are] clean in his own eyes; but the LORD weigheth the spirits. ... 25 There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof [are] the ways of death.

Slide 15. [2Ki 17:13 KJV] 13 Yet the LORD testified against Israel, and against Judah, by all the prophets, [and by] all the seers, saying, Turn ye from your evil ways, and keep my commandments [and] my statutes, according to all the law which I commanded your fathers, and which I sent to you by my servants the prophets.

[Rom 3:16 KJV] 16 Destruction and misery [are] in their ways:

[Jas 1:8 KJV] 8 A double minded man [is] unstable in all his ways.

God is Watching.

Slide 16. [Job 34:21 KJV] 21 For his eyes [are] upon the ways of man, and he seeth all his goings.

Slide 16. [Pro 5:21 KJV] 21 For the ways of man [are] before the eyes of the LORD, and he pondereth all his goings.

Slide 17. [Isa 55:8 KJV] 8 For my thoughts [are] not your thoughts, neither [are] your ways my ways, saith the LORD.

Slide 18. [Jer 16:17 KJV] 17 For mine eyes [are] upon all their ways: they are not hid from my face, neither is their iniquity hid from mine eyes.

God's Ways. His Desires and Choices

Slide 19. Psalm 25:14 The secret of the Lord is with them that fear him; and he will shew them his covenant.

Slide 19. [Psa 36:7 KJV] 7 How excellent [is] thy lovingkindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.

Slide 20. [Pro 25:21-22 KJV] 21 If thine enemy be hungry, give him bread to eat; and if he be thirsty, give him water to drink: 22 For thou shall heap coals of fire upon his head, and the LORD shall reward thee.

Slide 21. [Jos 6:3-5 KJV] 3 And ye shall compass the city, all [ye] men of war, [and] go round about the city once. Thus shalt thou do six days. 4 And seven priests shall bear before the ark seven trumpets of rams' horns: and the seventh day ye shall compass the city seven times, and the priests shall blow with the trumpets. 5 And it shall come to pass, that when they make a long [blast] with the ram's horn, [and] when ye hear the sound of the trumpet, all the people shall shout with a great shout; and the wall of the city shall fall down flat, and the people shall ascend up every man straight before him.

Slide 22 [Jdg 7:7 KJV] 7 And the LORD said unto Gideon, By the three hundred men that lapped will I save you, and deliver the Midianites into thine hand: and let all the [other] people go every man unto his place.

God's Ways Defined by His Works

Slide 23 [Psa 145:17 KJV] 17 The LORD [is] righteous in all his ways, and holy in all his works.

Slide 24 [Act 14:16-17 KJV] 16 Who in times past suffered all nations to walk in their own ways. 17 Nevertheless he left not himself without witness, in that he did good, and gave us rain from heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness.

Slide 25 [2Pe 3:9 KJV] 9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

God Hates Sin

Slide 26 [Pro 6:17-19 KJV] 17 A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, 18 An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, 19 A false witness [that] speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren.

Some of God's Ways

Slide 27 He wants to save us all.

He doesn't do things our way, i.e. the walls of Jericho and Gideon's army of 32,000 cut to 300.

He is holy (totally free of sin) and Good

He gives his enemies chances to change.

He has a free will and he gave us free will.

[Rom 9:15 KJV] 15 For he saith to Moses, I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.

[Exo 33:19 KJV] 19 And he said, I will make all my goodness pass before thee, and I will proclaim the name of the LORD before thee; and will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will shew mercy on whom I will shew mercy.

[Pro 16:9 KJV] 9 A man's heart deviseth his way: but the LORD directeth his steps.

He protects those who love him and judges those who reject him but he loves them all.