

Text: **Psalm 31**

THE GOODNESS OF THE LORD

1. Great goodness laid up

- a) For those who fear the LORD (Psalm 31:19)
- b) For those who trust Him (Psalm 31:19)

2. Presence

- a) Presence of the sons of men (Psalm 31:20)
- b) Presence of God... a secret hiding place (Psalm 31:20)
 - i) A secret pavilion
 - ii) From the strife of tongues (Psalm 31:20)

3. God's marvellous kindness

- a) He has shown kindness in a strong city (Psalm 31:21)
- b) Blessing the LORD (Psalm 31:21)

4. Correction of Hasty statements

- a) Confession of unwise statement made in haste
- b) "I am cut off from before Your eyes" (Psalm 31:22)

5. Deep appreciation of God

- a) For hearing prayer (Psalm 31:27)
- b) He hears supplications (Psalm 31:27)

APPROPRIATE RESPONSE

1. Love for the LORD (Psalm 31:23)

a) The LORD preserves the faithful (Psalm 31:23)

b) He fully repays the proud person (Psalm 31:23)

2. Be of good courage

a) God will strengthen the heart (Psalm 31:24)

b) All who hope in the LORD (Psalm 31:24)