God is Good?

Job 1:21

Sermon Questions

1. Is God good?
   1. By whose standards?
   2. What is the evidence?
   3. If something good happens do you attribute that to God? What about when something bad happens?
2. Are Christians good?
   1. If yes, by whose standards?
   2. Is there a mismatch between 1a and 2a?
   3. Can we measure God’s goodness by our own standards?

Read Job 1:1 – 2:10.

Following on from this, Job receives misleading advice from 3 “comforters” followed by sound advice from another (Elihu – “God answers”). Then God addresses Job directly.

Read Job 42:1-6.

1. Where is the goodness of God evident in this book?
2. What is Job’s reaction to God?
   1. That he’s good or,
   2. That he’s sovereign?
3. Knowing that God is sovereign and that his goodness and his sovereignty cannot be separated, how does this help us handle difficult times in our lives?