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Because God loves you, He Provides- Part 199

Did you know that God loves you more than anyone else could ever love you?

God proves His love to you by **His favoring love**. **Luke 2:13-14**, "Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom His <u>favor</u> rests."

The Greek word for favor is **eudokieas** which means good pleasure, satisfaction, happiness and delight. It brought pleasure to the Father's heart to be able to offer Himself as a sacrifice for us so that we would not be separated from Him. Hundreds of years before the birth of Jesus, the prophet Isaiah spoke of the day that would come and the significance of the coming of the Messiah. Isa. 53:10, "Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise Him; He has put Him to grief. When You make His soul an offering for sin, He shall see His people, He shall prolong His days, and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in His hand."

You see the only satisfaction for sin is judgment. God's favor was shown through the judgment poured out upon the Messiah, Jesus. He was willing to become sin for us so that we could be made right with God. And this brought the favor of God into the world; His ransom, His redeemer, His favored One, His Messiah, Who would satisfy the judgment for our sins. And now, because of His favor, we are made whole and right and made brand new.

Dear Father, Glory to You God in the highest. We thank You that there is peace available here on earth for anyone who will trust in You. In Jesus Name, Amen