

## **What Draws Us to God?**

### **Attraction #1: the Goodness of God**

Romans 2:4, “Do you despise the riches of His goodness, forbearance, and patience, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance?”

### **Attraction #2: Jesus’ Virtue and Character**

2 Peter 1:3, “His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue.”

### **Attraction #3: Promises about the Holy Spirit**

Acts 2:38, “Repent and let every one of you be baptized upon the name of Jesus Christ into the remission of sins and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.”

### **Attraction #4: Liberty**

Galatians 5:13, “You have been called to liberty.”

2 Corinthians 3:17, “Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.”

### **Attraction #5: Peace**

Colossians 3:15, “And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, into which also you were called in one body, and be thankful.”

Peace is the opposite of confusion (1 Corinthians 14:33), darkness, and the shadow of death (Luke 1:79). The mind set on the Spirit is life and peace (Romans 8:6). Peace is a gift from God (Romans 15:13) and mysteriously guards our hearts (Philippians 4:7). The peace of being reconciled to God is something we pursue (2 Timothy 2:22, 1 Peter 3:11, 2 Peter 3:14). Peace overcomes discord between Christians (Romans 14:17, 1 Corinthians 7:15, Ephesians 4:3, James 3:18).

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