

Sermon Title: **“GOOD & PLENTY”**

James 1:16-18

- The _____ of _____ is our Heavenly Father ... (He is behind every good thing – every single perfect gift has been handpicked by our _____)
- It is easy to _____ blame God for our present _____
 - The problem with viewing _____ and _____ from this perspective is it misses the _____ of those hardships
 - God is in the business of _____ and using it to _____ in each of our lives
- “_____” = to be misled; to be led astray; to _____ off
 - The only way any of us can _____ this command (to NOT be deceived) is by dwelling on the _____ of God
- In love, _____ encourages these believers to readjust their _____ (see your circumstances how God does)
- Do you see how sometimes those difficult _____ might actually be a blessing in disguise (a “_____ thing” and “_____ gift”)?
- The Source of _____ is our Heavenly Father
- “Coming Down” is in the _____ tense and it describes these gifts as _____ coming down (NOT a one-time event – it’s ongoing)
- If we view the goodness of God solely upon our _____ of the various trials we face, we have missed the _____ of God
- “The Exercise of His Will” = Speaks of a _____ (God brought us to Himself through the _____ of Jesus Christ)
- “Firstfruits” = describes the first portion collected from either a harvest or an offering; it was _____ for the Lord (first installment – there’s _____)