## LEAN BACK

#### Verse 1

You will never leave
Your love sustaining me
Before I even knew what love was
You've brought me here to rest
And given me space to breathe
So I'll stay still until it sinks in

### Chorus

(I will) lean back in the loving arms Of a beautiful Father Breathe deep and know that He is good He's a love like no other

## **Bridge**

Now I can see Your love is better Than all the others that I've seen I'm breathing deep all of Your goodness Your loving-kindness to me

# GOODNESS OF GOD

### Verse 1

I love You Lord
Oh Your mercy never fails me
All my days
I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God

## Chorus

(All my life You have been faithful All my life You have been so so good With every breath that I am able I will sing of the goodness of God

## Verse 2

I love Your voice
You have led me through the fire
In darkest night
You are close like no other
I've known You as a father
I've known You as a friend
I have lived in the goodness of God

## Bridge

Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
With my life laid down
I'm surrendered now
I give You everything
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me



# GO TO JOSEPH

MARCH 2023 GATHERING NOTES



# JOSEPH THE DREAMER

We can know Jesus deeper when we understand His family lineage.

"One of the things that I have found in talking with people is that the biggest wound is the father wound. All of us are being called to look to St. Joseph, not only as the Terror of Demons, but as a father figure. We need an earthly father who will show us again what a real dad is like. When God looked for someone to be like Him, it was Joseph whom He placed at the head of the Holy Family." Msgr. John Esseff, retired priest and exorcist

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"Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I fear no evil, for You are at my side." Psalm 23:4 (from Responsorial Psalm 3/19/23)

"Much will be required of the person entrusted with much, and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more." Luke 12:48

## JOSEPH THE MAGNANIMOUS

We are invited to grow in the magnanimity of St. Joseph ~ greatness of soul.

"Knowing by experience St. Joseph's astonishing influence with God, I would wish to persuade everyone to honor him with particular devotion. I have always seen those who honored him in a special manner make progress in virtue, for this heavenly protector favors in a striking manner the spiritual advancement of souls who commend themselves to him."

St. Teresa of Avila

Magnanimity ~ "stretching forth of the mind to great things." St. Thomas
Aquinas

Jan Tyranowski ~ tailor and secret catechist during WWII who instructed St. Pope John Paul II

"Do not judge from His appearance or from His lofty stature, because I have rejected Him. Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the LORD looks into the heart."

1 Samuel 16:7 (from the 1 st Reading 3/19/23)

"After three days they found Him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard Him were astounded at His understanding and His answers. When His parents saw Him, they were astonished, and His mother said to him, 'Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety.' And He said to them, 'Why were you looking for Me? Did you not know that I must be in My Father's house?' But they did not understand what He said to them. He went down with them and came to Nazareth and was obedient to them; and His mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man." Luke 2:46-52 (from the Gospel ~ Solemnity of St. Joseph)

"God will not be outdone in generosity." St. Ignatius of Loyola

# JOSEPH THE TERROR OF DEMONS

We are invited to claim St. Joseph as our spiritual father and protector.

"It is a great blessing for souls to be under the protection of the saint whose name makes demons tremble and flee." Blessed Bartolo Longo

"You were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light, for light produces every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth." Ephesians 5:8 (from the 2nd Reading 03/19/23)

"Now Simon Peter was standing there keeping warm." John 18:25

"Now the slaves and the guards were standing around a charcoal fire that they had made, because it was cold, and were warming themselves.

Peter was also standing there keeping warm."

John 18:18 (from the Gospel 4/7/23)

Joseph in Hebrew = Increaser

"He must increase; I must decrease." John 3:30

"Let us confidently approach the throne of grace . . ." Hebrews 4:16 (from the 2nd Reading 4/7/23)

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