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1 Chronicles 17:16

"And David the King, came and sat before the LORD, and said, "Who am I, O LORD God, and what is my house, that You have brought me this far?" "1 Chronicles 17:16)

The English word for God is derived from the Anglo Saxon word for "good." We might reasonably deduce that our word for God could be easily translated, "The Good." "There is none good, but God." (Mark 10:18) Indeed, He is "The Good." As Yahweh the Good's plan for the king unfolds a little more clearly, David is overwhelmed by the kindness and goodness of God. The great love of the LORD for the sinner, as well as for the saint, overwhelms us as we see the undeserved and unearned love and acceptance He showers upon us. This outpouring of goodness reveals and magnifies our own inadequacies, sins and failures, and we like David ask, "Who am I, that God would choose me?" "What is man, that You are mindful of him?" (Psalm 8:4)

All of eternity may not fully reveal that question, but there is one thing we can rest assured in at this moment... this is really not a question of our value nor of our worth, but of our Lord's character and goodness! Whether we hold a high value or not, His character will always act for our good! He can do no less because Good always acts in a goodly manner!

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