

Giving Thanks to Our God

Introduction

1. **There are many people who seem to possess an attitude of ingratitude and in time it becomes an infectious sin.**

Romans 1:21 because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened.

Luke 17:15-19 And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, returned, and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks. And he was a Samaritan. So Jesus answered and said, "Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner?" And He said to him, "Arise, go your way. Your faith has made you well."

2. **When King David brought the Ark to Jerusalem there was a great celebration of thanksgiving.**

1 Chronicles 15:26-28

1 Chronicles 16:4-7

3. **We should be inspired to give thanks to God in life.**

Psalms 96

1 Chronicles 16:23-33

Giving Thanks to God in Song

1. **Singing praises to God is an expression of our thanks to Him.**

Ephesians 5:19-20 speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord, giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,

Colossians 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

Giving Thanks in Worship

1. We are thankful for the almighty power of God.

Psalms 96:2-9

A. We should thank Him for the salvation we have in Him.

Psalms 71:15 My mouth shall tell of Your righteousness And Your salvation all the day, For I do not know their limits.

Exodus 15:1-2 Then Moses and the children of Israel sang this song to the Lord, and spoke, saying: "I will sing to the Lord, For He has triumphed gloriously! The horse and its rider He has thrown into the sea! The Lord is my strength and song, And He has become my salvation; He is my God, and I will praise Him; My father's God, and I will exalt Him.

Acts 4:12 Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

B. We know that He is glorious and we honor Him.

Psalms 96:3

Psalms 29:2 Give unto the Lord the glory due to His name; Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

Psalms 72:19 And blessed be His glorious name forever! And let the whole earth be filled with His glory. Amen and Amen.

C. He has surrounded us with great beauty and we can see Him in that which is all around us.

Psalms 40:5 Many, O Lord my God, are Your wonderful works Which You have done; And Your thoughts toward us Cannot be recounted to You in order; If I would declare and speak of them, They are more than can be numbered.

D. What should be our response to our "great" God?

Psalms 96:4-5

2. We are thankful for the Dignity of God

Psalms 96:6-8

We Are Thankful for His judgments

Psalms 96:10-13

1. God's judgments are righteous.

Romans 2:5 But in accordance with your hardness and your impenitent heart you are treasuring up for yourself wrath in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God,

A. We can judge based upon God's judgment.

John 7:24 Do not judge according to appearance, **but judge with righteous judgment."**

Romans 2:1-4 Therefore you are inexcusable, O man, whoever you are who judge, for in whatever you judge another you condemn yourself; for you who judge practice the same things. **But we know that the judgment of God is according to truth against those who practice such things.** And do you think this, O man, you who judge those practicing such things, and doing the same, that you will escape the judgment of God? Or do you despise the riches of His goodness, forbearance, and longsuffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance?

2. God's judgements are according to truth.

Psalms 96:13

Conclusion

1. Remembering David's thanksgiving during a moment of great blessing helps us be "thankgivers" to God.

Colossians 2:7 rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, **abounding in it with thanksgiving.**

