



THANKSGIVING 2023

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thank thee, and praise thy glorious name.**





Tonight is our annual “Pie and Praise” service that we set aside yearly to give praise to the Lord and later have fellowship while partaking in a delicious variety of pies. The praise is to give thanks to the Lord for His blessings, and the pie is a prelude to dinner on Thursday.

Let’s begin by focusing on the basis for our giving of thanks to the Lord.





I. THE FOUNDATION FOR GIVING THANKS

❖ The foundation of giving thanks begins with recognition of the Creator and His glory.

Isa. 43:7 *Even every one that is called by my name: for **I have created him for my glory**, I have formed him; yea, I have made him. ...*

11 *I, even **I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour.***






❖ Everyone is created for the glory of God.

❖ By giving God praise, giving thanks to Him, we glorify Him.

Psa. 50:22 **Now consider this, ye that forget God**, lest I tear *you* in pieces, and *there be* none to deliver.

23 **Whoso offereth praise glorifieth me**: and to him that ordereth *his* conversation *aright* will I shew the salvation of God.






❖ Believers praise God for His holiness, love, mercy, and grace.

Psa. 30:4 Sing unto the LORD, O ye saints of his, and **give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness. ...**

12 To the end that *my* glory may sing praise to thee, and not be silent. **O LORD my God, I will give thanks unto thee for ever.**





Psa. 97:12 Rejoice in the LORD, ye righteous; and
give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness.

❖ Believers express gratitude especially for God's
gift, His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Cor. 9:15 **Thanks *be* unto God for his
unspeakable gift.**





II. THE FRUITFULNESS OF GIVING THANKS

- ❖ Believers who know and appreciate the value of God's love, mercy, and grace want to praise Him.

Psa. 69:30 I will praise the name of God with a song, and **will magnify him with thanksgiving.**

Psa. 92:1 ***It is a good thing to give thanks unto the LORD***, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High:






Psa 106:1 **Praise ye the LORD. O give thanks unto the LORD;** for *he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.*

Psa. 147:7 **Sing unto the LORD with thanksgiving;** sing praise upon the harp unto our God:

❖ Believers' gratitude is a wonderful motivation to support world evangelism.

2 Sam. 22:50 Therefore **I will give thanks unto thee, O LORD, among the heathen,** and I will sing praises unto thy name.





❖ Believers want everyone, especially their families, to know about God's wondrous, amazing grace.

Psa. 79:13 So we thy people and sheep of thy pasture **will give thee thanks for ever: we will shew forth thy praise to all generations.**





Conclusion

❖ The heart's desire of a believer is to be constantly praising God for who He is.

Heb. 13:15 By him therefore **let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of *our* lips giving thanks to his name.**

