



A PSALM FOR GIVING THANKS *Psalm 100*

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Good morning Church! This well-known psalm is the only one bearing this title of Thanksgiving. It emphasizes the universal nature of God's kingship, is a benediction to the series of Psalms 95-100. Most of it is a call to praise and thanksgiving, while verse 3 and 5 fix the reasons for that worship.

Psalm 100. A Psalm For Giving Thanks

*"Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! **2** Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! **3** Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. **4** Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! **5** For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.*

1. We are CALLED to PRAISE the Lord (v 1-3)

- We praise the Lord with NOISE.
- We praise the Lord by SERVING.
- We praise the Lord with SINGING.
- We praise the Lord by KNOWING.
- We praise the Lord for He is GOD.

"Jehovah God in the fullest, most absolute, and most exclusive sense. He is God alone; to know Him in that character and prove our knowledge by obedience, trust, submission, zeal and love is an attainment with only grace can bestow."

Charles Spurgeon

- We praise the Lord for we BELONG to Him.

*"It would be far more easy to believe that the Lord made us than that we were developed by a long chain of natural selections from floating atoms which fashioned themselves." **Charles Spurgeon***

*"And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd." **John 10:16***

2. A Call to THANK the Lord (v 4-5)

- We thank the Lord for He is GOOD.
- We thank the Lord for He is LOVING.

"The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance."

2 Peter 3:9

- We thank the Lord for He is TRUTH.

Salvation through Jesus Christ

*The single most important decision a person could ever make in their lifetime is to receive Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord. The Bible says, "all have sinned and fall short of God's glory and we don't deserve eternal life because the wages of sin is death". Yet through God's love, only "Christ gives us eternal life by grace through faith"... it is a gift of God. God's word says, That if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is LORD and believe in your heart God raised Him from the dead YOU WILL BE SAVED. **The Bible says to REPENT of your sins. BELIEVE in Jesus receiving His forgiveness.** Then, identify with Christ and start living a new life in obedience to God by being BAPTIZED.*