

Daily Devotion For November 25, 2021

“Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him, above ye Heavenly Host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.” ***The Doxology***

For our Sunday morning Zoom Worship services, you may have noticed a woman by the name of Leslie Yano. I first met Leslie when I became the Senior Pastor at Wintersburg Presbyterian Church. A few days ago, I received an email from her that stated she has been diagnosed with stage 3 lung cancer. As I read her email, I was inspired that her faith in God is strong and as I mentioned in yesterday’s devotion, that she is “counting her blessings.” What struck me about her email was that she concluded by saying, “This week when we gather for Thanksgiving, let’s not only consider what we are thankful for, **but more importantly, to whom we are thankful.**”

Leslie’s words reminded me of a hymn that I first heard many years ago growing up at El Estero, “The Doxology” whose words begin with **Praise God from whom all blessings flow.**

In 1674, an Anglican priest wrote this simple song of praise for his students at England’s Winchester College. Although the lyrics expressed praise to God for His wonderful blessings, the hymn shouted its praise to **the source** of all our blessings, God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Thought For Today: On this Thanksgiving Day, take time to praise God as the one who is the source of all blessings. Perhaps you can sing this simple song of praise as you go through the day.

Today’s Prayer Focus: Please remember Leslie and her family in prayer as well as for wisdom for her doctors as they seek the best course of treatment for her. Count Your Blessings and don’t forget the one who is the source of those blessings. Deo Volente.