

November 20, 2016
Psalm 100

WHAT DO I HAVE TO BE THANKFUL FOR?

I. Introduction:

Thanksgiving: A Time To Count Our Blessings

Thanksgiving of the Pilgrims and Founding Fathers

II. The Basis Of Our Thanksgiving

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III. Five Thanksgiving Commands:

- A.** "Shout for joy to the Lord, all of the earth." (Vs. 1)
- B.** "Worship the Lord with gladness." (Vs. 2)
- C.** "Come before Him with joyful songs." (Vs. 2)
- D.** "Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture." (Vs. 3)
- E.** "Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.
⁵ For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues to all generations." (Vs. 4-5)

IV. Conclusion and Application:

POINTS TO PONDER
Week of November 20th to 26th
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Open It

1. When do you feel like shouting for joy or singing?
2. *When (in what situations or for what acts) do you expect a thank you or acknowledgment of a favor you've done?

Explore It

3. *What attitude is recommended to accompany the praise of God's people? (100:1, 4)
4. Who is called to worship the Lord? (100:1-3)
5. Why is the Lord worthy of praise? (100:1-5)
6. How does the psalm writer describe the relationship God has with His followers? (100:3)
7. What imagery is used to describe God's protection of His people? (100:2)
8. What does this psalm say about Israel's special relationship with the Lord? (100:3, 5)
9. *Why should the world acknowledge the Lord through praise? (100:3-5)
10. Where should believers offer their praise to God? (100:4)

11. How should a person enter God's house? (100:4)
12. How does God demonstrate His goodness to the world? (100:5)
13. *How does this psalm describe the reliability of God's character? (100:5)

Get It

14. What message comes through most clearly to you in this psalm?
15. What does this psalm advise us to do?
16. What should motivate us to worship God?
17. *What is sincere worship?
18. What attitude should we have toward worshiping God?
19. *What changes do you feel you could make to improve your attitude toward worship and praising God?
20. What relationship does the Lord want to have with us?
21. How does this psalm challenge you to rely on the Lord?

Apply It

22. What statement of praise could you give to God today?
23. What is one specific step you could take to ensure that your worship of God is sincere and meaningful?
24. *How could you prepare yourself to praise and thank God the next time you go to church for worship?

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