

A Song of Thanksgiving

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Let the whole earth shout triumphantly to the LORD! 2 Serve the LORD with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs.3 Acknowledge that the LORD is God. He made us, and we are His — His people, the sheep of His pasture. 4 Enter His gates with thanksgiving & His courts with praise Give thanks to Him and bless His name. 5 For the LORD is good, and His faithful love endures forever; His faithfulness, through all generations.



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- This is a favorite "Thanksgiving Psalm"
- Titled in the Hebrew *"A Psalm of Thanksgiving"*
- It reminds us God is *"the LORD"* and King not just over Israel, but over *"the whole earth"*.



1. Who should give thanks?

- All people not just those in Israel, but all nations! Gen. 12:3; 1 Kings 8:60

- His people – *"we are His people…" v. 2*

- His sheep – a frequent metaphor of His care and of their vulnerability. Ps. 23



2. How can we give thanks?

- With Joy, v. 1,2
- With humble service, v. 2, Col. 3:23; Eph. 4:12
- With singing, v. 2; Col. 3:16
- With knowledge, v. 3, Phil. 3:10; God has revealed Himself to us, Acts 16:24-30



3. Why give thanks?

- Because of who He Is, v. 1,2,3,5; *"LORD"*
- Because of what He has done, v. 3
- Because of Character, v. 5
- Because of who we are, v. 3



3. Will <u>YOU</u> give thanks?

- *16 Rejoice always, 17 pray constantly, 18* ***give thanks in everything;*** *for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.*
  1 Thes. 5:16-18
- *6 Don't worry about anything, but in everything,* ***through prayer and petition with thanksgiving,*** *present your requests to God. Phil. 4:6*



4. Will <u>YOU</u> give thanks?

[11] I don't say this out of need, for I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I find myself. [12] I know how to make do with little, & I know how to make do with a lot. In any & all circumstances I have learned the secret of being content—whether well fed or hungry, whether in abundance or in need. [13] I am able to do all things through him who strengthens me. ***Phil. 4:11-13***



4. Will <u>YOU</u> give thanks?

- *All nations should… especially those who are His sheep… (John 10)*

- *Thanksgiving is not just "words" its' about Serving Him joyfully and humbly as you seek to Know Him!*

- *You will thank Him if you think about who He is, what He has done for you and for what He is doing in you!*

