

“I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation.” Psalm
118:21

Thanksgiving and praise to God is the proper response of God’s people for answered prayer. Surely, God has answered our cry many times. Perhaps he has provided for your need for work; maybe he has strengthened and healed you in sickness; maybe he has protected you in the face of evil and danger; or maybe he has granted you that firm assurance in the midst of doubt. All these examples – and countless more – are worthy of our thanksgiving.

But the thing most worthy of our thanks is our salvation. God heard the Psalmist’s cry for his deepest need, and He hears ours as well. He has given us salvation through Jesus Christ. He has brought us out of death and given us life by His Spirit simply because of His grace to us (Eph. 2).

Dear Christian, have you pondered this thought? Have you considered how incredible this is? Have you thought about the marvellous gift of salvation? The Psalmist did. In fact, in verses 23 and 24 of this passage he says, ***“...the LORD has done this, and it is marvellous in our eyes. The LORD has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad.”*** Dear friends, do not wait to offer your thanksgiving to God tomorrow. Salvation is yours today and today is the day to give thanks!