# **BE GRATEFUL TO THE ALMIGHTY GOD**

# Get back to appreciating the little things of life

The ALMIGHTY GOD wants us all to return to the age of innocence as Children of GOD

1. Thank GOD that you were even born, part of HIM – Sheep of HIS pasture (Ps 100 v1-3)
2. Begin again to appreciate the simple things (smell the flowers, appreciate the sunshine)
3. Spend time with your family and friends….. enough or running around
4. Appreciate what you have and not what you don’t have (similar to attitude in an exam hall –

 don’t worry about the one you haven’t read )

# List of Gratitude Robbers

## The pressing need

* 1. The teacher is always silent during a test. When there is nothing to see, see GOD.
	2. We are never told to walk by sight (2 Cor 5 v7)

## The felling of pride and self-effort

## Not developing a thanksgiving life

## Not building an Ebenezer (Stone of Help)

* 1. The purpose of building an Ebenezer or Altar of GOD is to have a point of remembrance of the good things the LORD has done for you.
* The LORD ALMIGHTY told Moses to write things up …hence the Torah/Bible
* Write them up in a book
* Post them on the wall
* Tell it to your children
1. Noah built an altar: Gen 8 v20
2. Abraham built an altar
	* Altar in the midst of our enemies/Altar of promise : Gen 12v5-7
	* Altar of intimacy with ALMIGHTY GOD/ increase: Gen 12v8..Abram called the NAME OF THE LORD
	* Altar or revival AND no turning back: Gen 13 v2-4
	* Altar of possession: Gen 13v17-18

c. Isaac built an altar: Gen 26v 24-25: What you do affects your children, build an altar and call upon the NAME OF THE LORD

 d. Jacob built an altar to the LORD GOD: Gen 35 v7

 e. Joshua built an altar to the LORD GOD: Joshua 8v30

 f. Samuel built an altar to the LORD GOD: 1 Sam 7v7

 g. David built an altar to the LORD GOD: 2 Sam 24v25

* + Have a Testimony book in your house / Church

3. Living a life of praise

-> Story of the woman that was singing when armed robbers were pointing a gun at her

Key narrative: Jehoshaphat defeats Moab and the Ammon

2 Chron 20 v1-29