

Giving Thanks to God

Introduction

Psalms 96

1. Ingratitude is an infectious sin.

Romans 1:21 because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, **nor were thankful**, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened.

Luke 17:11-19

2. When king David brought the Ark to Jerusalem there was a great celebration of thanksgiving!

1 Chronicles 15:26-28 And so it was, when God helped the Levites who bore the ark of the covenant of the LORD, that they offered seven bulls and seven rams. (27) David was clothed with a robe of fine linen, as were all the Levites who bore the ark, the singers, and Chenaniah the music master with the singers. David also wore a linen ephod. (28) Thus all Israel brought up the ark of the covenant of the LORD with shouting and with the sound of the horn, with trumpets and with cymbals, making music with stringed instruments and harps.

3. David's call to give thanks to God.

1 Chronicles 16:23-33

Praising God in Song

1. As Christians, we give thanks to God in song.

(96:1)

A. Singing is an expression of our thanks to God.

Ephesians 5:19-20 speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord, (20) giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,

Colossians 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

Our Worship to God

1. We give thanks to God for His character and blessings when we worship Him. **(96:2-9)**

A. We are always thankful for the power of God.

96:2-5

B. We are thankful for our salvation that He has given us when we are faithful to Him.

96:2

Acts 4:12 Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

C. We are thankful to Him glory and honor.**96:3**

Psalms 29:2 Give unto the LORD the glory due to His name; Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

Psalms 72:19 And blessed be His glorious name forever! And let the whole earth be filled with His glory. Amen and Amen.

Psalms 115:1 Not unto us, O LORD, not unto us, But to Your name give glory, Because of Your mercy, Because of Your truth.

D. God has performed many marvelous works and for that we can be thankful.**96:3**

Psalms 40:5 Many, O LORD my God, are Your wonderful works Which You have done; And Your thoughts toward us Cannot be recounted to You in order; If I would declare and speak of them, They are more than can be numbered.

Psalms 136**E. We should have a great response to our heavenly Father.****96:4-5****F. We should be so thankful for the dignity of God.****96:6-8**

God's Judgments

1. We should thank God for His righteous judgments.

96:10-13

Romans 2:5 But in accordance with your hardness and your impenitent heart you are treasuring up for yourself wrath in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God,

John 7:24 Do not judge according to appearance, but judge with righteous judgment.

A. Unfortunately man often is guilty of partiality in judgment.

James 2:1-4

2. God's judgments are according to truth.

96:13

Romans 2:2 But we know that the judgment of God is according to truth against those who practice such things.

A. Uzzah was struck dead because he disobeyed God. He did not do all that God had commanded according to God's will.

1 Chronicles 13:7-10; 15:13

Conclusion

1. We would be better off if we would remember David's thanksgiving during a moment of great blessing in our life.

2. May we all strive to truly be thankful for all the blessings given to us by God.

Colossians 2:6-7

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