

Thanksgiving blessings

Psalms 103:1-5

Introduction:

What are you thankful for this Thanksgiving season? This morning we are going to look at what we really should be thankful for. Lets look at the Thanksgiving blessings found in Psalms 103:1-5.

Scripture:

Bless the Lord, O my soul; And all that is within me, bless His holy name! 2 Bless the Lord, O my soul, And forget not all His benefits: 3 Who forgives all your iniquities, Who heals all your diseases, 4 Who redeems your life from destruction, Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies, 5 Who satisfies your mouth with good things, So that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

key Points:

1. Forgiveness
2. Healing
3. Redemption
4. Loving kindness
5. Satisfaction

Body:

1. Forgiveness
 - a. We are blessed by God's forgiveness
 - i. What has HE forgiven you of? Have you thanked HIM?
 - b. (1 John 1:9) If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
 - c. Unrighteousness- failure to adhere to moral principles
 - (1) Unrighteousness is anything that keeps from being in a right relationship with our Lord.
 - d. Have you thanked HIM for HIS cleansing?
 - e. Have you been separated from Christ? You can change that today.
2. Healing
 - a. God heals us of our sickness. Both spiritually and physically.
 - i. What healing have you thanked God for lately?
 - (1) We should thank God for healing no matter how small or insignificant we think it is.
 - ii. We find this healing in prayer.
 - (1) Prayer for each other
 - (a) (James 5:16)
3. Redemption
 - a. Redemption from what?

- i. HE has redeemed our soul from Hell,
 - b. Have you thanked HIM for the cross?
 - c. Through HIS shed blood on the cross we no longer are condemned to Hell eternal, We were bought with a price and that price was Jesus' death on the cross.
 - d. .Have you thanked HIM for dying for you?
- 4. Loving kindness
 - a. Have you thanked for HIS love for you?
 - b. What does HIS love look like?
 - i. HE died for you so that you can have eternal life.
 - ii. We love others because HE first loved us.
 - iii. HE chastens those HE loves.
 - (1) (Hebrews 12:6) For whom the Lord loves He chastens, And scourges every son whom He receives.”
- 5. Satisfaction
 - a. Satisfaction is only found in God's grace.
 - b. Have you thanked God for HIS grace lately?
 - c. Have you thanked God for the renewing of your life?
 - i. It is God who brings forth the new day when we wake up.
 - ii. It is God who provides the strength that is needed to face the difficult days that we may face.
 - iii. Have you thanked HIM for the satisfaction you feel in the things of HIM and not this world?

Conclusion:

Have you found yourself thankless? Have you found yourself needing this God that I have spoken of? Today is a new day a day full of thanksgiving, its not to late to say thank you to the creator for all that HE has done for you.