

BE  
THANKFUL  
SOME  
MORE

This Thursday is Thanksgiving Day.

This is the time of year that a lot of people count the many ways they have been blessed.

Prayers of thanksgiving ascend to God.

Of course the Christian should be thankful and praising God everyday and in every way.

Colossians 3:15

And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. **And be thankful.**

In our lesson this morning we talked about five blessing that we should remember to be thankful for.

That God And Christ Are Still In Control.

Neither God Nor Christ Changes.

The Blood Of Christ Has Not Lost Its Power.

We Have An Eternal Covenant With God.

We Are Conquerors.

Tonight, let's notice some more.

## God Loves Us.

John 3:16-17

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.

Ephesians 3:17-19

And that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have power to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ which surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fulness of God.

It is hard for us to understand.

We certainly don't deserve it.

But God does love us.

Romans 5:6-8, 10

While we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Why, one will hardly die for a righteous man—though perhaps for a good man one will dare even to die. But God shows His love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us.

For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.

## God Still Answers Prayer.

The Scripture is clear on this subject.

Matthew 7:7

Ask, and it will be given you; seek, and you will find;  
knock, and it will be opened to you.

I John 3:22

And whatever we ask we receive from Him, because  
we keep His commandments and do those things  
that are pleasing in His sight.

God knows what is best for us.

Sometimes the answer is not what we want it to be.

Still, we are commanded to pray.

I Thessalonians 5:17-18

Pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

Philippians 4:6

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God.

James 5:16

Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.

For The Word Of God And The Truth That Is Found In  
It.

John 17:17

Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.

The truth that is found in God's word set us free from  
sin.

John 8:32

And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall  
make you free.

Romans 6:18

And having been set free from sin, you became slaves  
of righteousness.

The Word tells us how to conduct our lives and to  
become partakers of His divine nature.

## II Timothy 3:16-17

All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

## II Peter 1:3-4

His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us to His own glory and excellence, by which He has granted to us His precious and very great promises, that through these you may escape from the corruption that is world because of passion, and become partakers of the divine nature.

## The Gospel Is Powerful Enough to Save.

Hebrews 4:12

For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Romans 1:16

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.

## I Corinthians 1:18

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

## II Timothy 1:8-10

Do not be ashamed then of testifying to our Lord, nor of me His prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel in the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not in virtue of our works but in virtue of His own purpose and the grace which He gave us in Christ Jesus ages ago, and now has manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

## There Is Life After Death.

Job asked the question:

Job 14:14

If a man dies, shall he live again?

The answer is a resounding “YES”

I Corinthians 15:51-52

Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

## John 5:24-29

Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life. Most assuredly, I say to you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God; and those who hear will live. For as the Father has life in Himself, so He has granted the Son to have life in Himself, and has given Him authority to execute judgment also, because He is the Son of Man. Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming in which all who are in the graves will hear His voice and come forth those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation.

Everyone will be raised.

### Revelation 20:11-13

Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them.

And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books. The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works.

## Matthew 25:31-33

“When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats. And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left.”

After the resurrection there is only 1 of 2 place where you will spend eternity.

## Matthew 26:46

"And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

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AND GIVE HIM  
THANKS.

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