

We Cannot Thank the Lord Enough

Psalm 30:12-To the end that my glory may sing praise to thee, and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks unto thee forever. (KJV)

Believers cannot thank the Lord God enough for the blessings received in life. Life, itself, is a blessing of God requiring God's blessings for life to continue. Each breath, each heartbeat, and the ability to move come from the Lord God. God gives the believer the ability to think, to touch and to experience pain. Experiencing the aromas in the air occurs by the blessings of the Lord God.

Psalm 92:1- It is a good thing to give thanks unto the LORD, and to sing praises unto thy name, O Most High: (KJV)

The Divine services of God's Holy Church incorporate and express thanks to God. The believer has the responsibility to take the initiative to thank God each day. Believers having enough food to eat and water to drink have reasons to thank God. Having the opportunity to attend church freely without fear is reason to thank God. Knowing a believer can pray to God at any time certainly is reason to give thanks.

Psalm 106:47-Save us, O LORD our God, and gather us from among the heathen, to give thanks unto thy holy name, and to triumph in thy praise. (KJV)

The Psalms offer direction and a historical foundation for believers to thank God. The Holy Scriptures help believers realize the multitude of blessings from God. Believers carefully studying the Holy Scriptures learn the great debt owed to God. God's goodness, mercy and love motivate attentive believers to be very grateful; Believers repenting of sins and being forgiven have a responsibility to thank God.

Psalm 122:4- Whither the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, unto the testimony of Israel, to give thanks unto the name of the LORD (KJV)

Husbands and wives faithful to each other owe abundant thanks to the Lord God. Children having caring and loving parents are wise to joyfully thank God. Giving thanks to the Lord God for good health is a responsible Christian action. Thanking God for recovery from illness or surgery is a sign of due appreciation. Giving thanks to God is authentic when it comes deep from within the heart.

PSALM 136:3- O give thanks to the Lord of lords: for his mercy endureth forever. (KJV)

Having one or more good friends in life is an excellent reason to thank God. Children having parents who are good examples in life do well to be thankful. Finding a job in life that brings joy to the heart is motivation to thank the Lord. Thanking God for good weather is a sign of maturity and appreciation for God. When the heart, mind and soul find peace in life, it is truly time to thank God.

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