



THE ACCEPTABLE WAY TO GIVE THANKS

Thanksgiving and Deliverance Sunday

MALACHI 1:13-14 NKJV

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MALACHI 3:6 NKJV

*“For I am the Lord, I do not change;
Therefore you are not consumed, O
sons of Jacob.*

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REVELATION 5:11-12 NKJV

Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne, the living creatures, and the elders; and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands, 12 saying with a loud voice: “Worthy is the Lamb who was slain To receive power and riches and wisdom, And strength and honor and glory and blessing!”

REVELATION 4:8-11 NKJV

The four living creatures, each having six wings, were full of eyes around and within. And they do not rest day or night, saying: “Holy,[a] holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, Who was and is and is to come!” 9 Whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to Him who sits on the throne, who lives forever and ever, 10 the twenty-four elders fall down before Him who sits on the throne and worship Him who lives forever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying: 11 “You are worthy, [b]O Lord, To receive glory and honor and power; For You created all things, And by Your will they [c]exist and were created.”

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LUKE 19:38-40 NKJV

saying: “ ‘Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!’ Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!” 39 And some of the Pharisees called to Him from the crowd, “Teacher, rebuke Your disciples.” 40 But He answered and said to them, “I tell you that if these should keep silent, the stones would immediately cry out.

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PSALM 19:1-2 NKJV

*The heavens declare the glory of God;
And the firmament[a] shows [b]His
handiwork. 2 Day unto day utters speech,
And night unto night reveals knowledge*

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GENESIS 4:3-4 NKJV

And [a]in the process of time it came to pass that Cain brought an offering of the fruit of the ground to the Lord. 4 Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat. And the Lord respected Abel and his offering,

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MALACHI 1:6-8 NKJV

*“A son honors his father, And a servant his master. If then I am the Father, Where is My honor? And if I am a Master, Where is My reverence? Says the Lord of hosts To you priests who despise My name. Yet you say, ‘In what way have we despised Your name?’ 7
“You offer defiled food on My altar, But say, ‘In what way have we defiled You?’ By saying, ‘The table of the Lord is [a]contemptible.’ 8
And when you offer the blind as a sacrifice, Is it not evil? And when you offer the lame and sick, Is it not evil? Offer it then to your governor! Would he be pleased with you? Would he accept[b] you favorably?” Says the Lord of hosts*

To Give Thanks Acceptably

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2. We must do it, willingly, cheerfully and purposefully. God never receives anything offered grudgingly. Or by compulsion 2Cor.9:7; Deut.28:47;
3. We must do it quickly or promptly. When you do not give thanks promptly your gratitude is unacceptable. Deut.6:12; Lk.17:11-19;

MARK 7:6 NKJV

He answered and said to them, “Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written: ‘This people honors Me with their lips, But their heart is far from Me.

JOHN 4:24

God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.”

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2 CORINTHIANS 9:7 NKJV

So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of [a]necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver.

DEUTERONOMY 28:47-48 NKJV

“Because you did not serve the Lord your God with joy and gladness of heart, for the abundance of everything, 48 therefore you shall serve your enemies, whom the Lord will send against you, in hunger, in thirst, in nakedness, and in need of everything; and He will put a yoke of iron on your neck until He has destroyed you

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LUKE 17:15-19 NKJV

And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, returned, and with a loud voice glorified God, 16 and fell down on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks. And he was a Samaritan. 17 So Jesus answered and said, "Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? 18 Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner?" 19 And He said to him, "Arise, go your way. Your faith has made you well."

DEUTERONOMY 6:12 NKJV

*then beware, lest you forget the Lord
who brought you out of the land of
Egypt, from the house of bondage.*

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For God is the King of all the earth; Sing praises with understanding.

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[a]Give to the Lord the glory due His name; Bring an offering, and come into His courts.

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ISALAH 38:19 NKJV

The living, the living man, he shall praise You, As I do this day; The father shall make known Your truth to the children.

PROVERBS 15:8

The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the Lord, But the prayer of the upright is His delight.

ALTAR CALL

Lord Jesus, I am a sinner and I need you to save me. I believe you died for me and rose up on the third day that I may be justified. Today, Lord Jesus, I confess and repent of all my sins; I forsake them; forgive me Lord Jesus; come into my heart Lord Jesus; be my Lord and savior; from today I promise to serve you in the name of Jesus

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PSALM 103:1-5 NKJV

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.

Prayer 1

Now lift up your voice, your hearts and your hands and
Give the Lord thanks.

PSALM 92:1-2

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, And to sing
praises to Your name, O Most High; 2 To declare Your
lovingkindness in the morning, And Your faithfulness
every night,

ISAIAH 49:25 NKJV

But thus says the Lord: “Even the captives of the mighty shall be taken away, And the prey of the terrible be delivered; For I will contend with him who contends with you, And I will save your children.

JOHN 8:32 NKJV

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

GALATIANS 3:13-14 NKJV

Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, “Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree”), 14 that the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

LUKE 10:19 NKJV

Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

Prayer 2

Father in the name of Jesus, today by the finished work of Christ, I reject, renounce and render null and void and break, every curse, demonic covenant, spell and yoke that has allowed any form of demonic oppression and operation in my life and family in the name of Jesus; You demonic spirits, spiritual spouses, familiar spirits, serpentine spirits and water spirits in my life or family, I bind you, I reject you, I invoke the vengeance of the Lord against you; I invoke the blood of Jesus against you and I command you to get out of my life and my family and return no more in the name of Jesus. Gal.3:13-14; John 8:32,36; Luke 10:19; Isa.19:25