

THANKFUL Pt. 2

Psalm 56:12-13 (NIV)

I am under vows to you, my God; I will present my thank offerings to you. For you have delivered me from death and my feet from stumbling, that I may walk before God in the light of life.

- **Thankfulness is an attitude.**
- **Thankfulness is an expression.**
- **Thankfulness needs to be verbalized.**

Psalm 50:23 (NIV)

Those who sacrifice thank offerings honor me, and to the blameless I will show my salvation.”

- **Thankfulness is a form of honor.**
- **Our victories and breakthrough are often preceded by having a thankful heart, and honoring the Lord.**
- **Your judgmental spirit is robbing you of the supernatural breakthrough that thankfulness provides.**

Having an unthankful heart robs us of our spiritual weapons, therefore we are unprotected.

Having an unthankful heart causes us to return the proof of victory back to our enemy.

Having an unthankful heart diminishes our spiritual inheritance and cancels the blessing.

It is the plan of the enemy to get you more involved in complaining and murmuring and less involved in giving the Lord thanks and glory.

4 biblical guarantees of Thankfulness

1. Thankfulness can reverse captivity.

Acts 16:25-26

“And all midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them. And suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken: and immediately all the doors were opened, and every one’s bands were loosed.”

If you don’t appreciate God, you will depreciate with time.

Isaiah 65:24 (KJV)

And it shall come to pass, before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear.

When we are thankful, God gets committed to meeting needs that are unspoken in prayer.

2. Thanksgiving attracts the presence of God.

Psalms 22:3 (NLT)

Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

A thankful life will reap God’s presence at all times.

You can build a successful future through thanksgiving and praise.

Complaining pre-programs your life for destruction.

1 Corinthians 10:10 (KJV)

Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of their destroyer.

3. Thanksgiving leads to multiplication and increases.

Psalms 67:5-6 (KJV)

Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee. Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us.

John 6:11 (KJV)

And Jesus took the loaves; and when he had given thanks, he distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes as much as they would.

4. Thanksgiving plants seeds for the harvest of prodigals.

Take an assessment of how often you complain verses how often you are thankful.

If you're in a season that is requiring great patience, throw seeds of thankfulness on the grounds of that challenge.

Who or what are you taking for granted? Change the environment of that situation by offering thanksgiving.