

Thanksgiving Principles for Living

Psalm 131 & Selected Scriptures

Biblical Joy: *An unspeakable gladness, a gift from God that refreshes our soul.*

- **1 Thessalonians 5:18** *“In everything give thanks.”*
- **Charles Spurgeon** about Psalm 131 - *“One of the shortest to read, but one of the longest to learn.”*

Three Important Principles of Thanksgiving

1. _____: Admitting we are limited but God is not. (Psalm 131:1)

2. _____: Living in childlike trust before God. (Psalm 131:2)

- **Matthew 18:3** *“Unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”*

3. _____: Choosing to put your confidence in God alone. (Psalm 131:3)

- *“hope” means first to wait, then to wait expectantly.*

Conclusion: A New Way to Count Your Blessings

- *What have you been weaned of in this past year?*

Verse for October 2023 Psalm 35:27 (ESV) *“Let those who delight in My righteousness shout for joy and be glad and say forevermore, ‘Great is The LORD who delights in the welfare of His servant!’”*

My Commitment: *“Lord, based upon what I heard You say to me this morning I choose to obey You by. . .”*

Our Fellowship: Before you leave ask someone: *“What did God say to you today?”*

Deuteronomy 30:14 (TM) *The Word is right here and now - as near as the tongue in your mouth, as near as the heart in your chest. Just do it!*