

## Reasons to Be Thankful

### Introduction:

1. Psalm 100
2. Thanksgiving is a day that we have set aside to specifically be thankful for different things in our lives.

### Discussion:

- I. The Lord is good (Psalm 100:5a).
  - A. He is God (100:3a). (I Kings 18:24; 39; Deut. 4:35; Psalm 46:10; James 1:17)
  - B. He created us and not we ourselves (100:3b).
    1. Life should be viewed as a gift from God.
    2. Mankind has been created in a special image compared to the rest of creation.
  - C. We are His people and the sheep of His pasture (100:3c). (I Pt. 2:9; Gal. 3:26ff)
- II. His mercy is everlasting (100:5b).
  - A. Three ways God's mercy is exhibited in Psalm 136.
    1. Through great wonders and wisdom (v. 4ff).
    2. Through deliverance (v. 10ff).
    3. Through reward (v. 21ff).
  - B. There is a need for mercy because all men have sinned (Rom. 3:10; 23).
  - C. To gain God's infinite mercy man must have hope (I Pt. 1:3-5; Lk. 1:50).
- III. His faithfulness to all generations (100:5c).
  - A. God is faithful in the covenants He makes (Deut. 7:9; Heb. 6:13-18; Rom. 15:8-9).
  - B. Nothing about God is changeable (Heb. 13:8; James 1:17; Psalm 33:11; Malachi 3:6).
  - C. Therefore, we can conclude that His words are truth (Tit. 1:2; II Pt. 3:9; I Tim. 2:4; I Tim. 4:6-10; Rev. 2:10; Mt. 10:22)

### Conclusion:

1. ***“Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him and bless His name.”*** (Psalm 100:4).
2. Have you entered His gates with thanksgiving because you have had your sins washed away?