GIVE THANKS! Psalm 103:1-8

INTRODUCTION:

On this coming Thursday, this nation will celebrate Thanksgiving Day. It is the only federal holiday this nation sets aside each year to give thanks to God. As "Believers, we should set aside some time each and every day to Thank the Lord for His many Blessings. For Christians, Every Day is Thanksgiving – (Eph 5:20).

- I. <u>Thank God for His Forgiveness</u> (v. 3a)
 - A. Thank God for the Blessing of the forgiveness (pardon) of our sins all sin is gone in Christ Jesus.
 - **B.** Believers are forgiven for sins that come "out of the heart" (Mark 7:21-23).
 - \circ Sins of Omission (James 4:17). Sins of Commission (Ps 32:1-2).
- II. Thank God for His Healing (v. 3b)
 - A. Good and reasonable health is a Blessing from God never take it for granted.
 - **B.** God does not guarantee healing each and every time we get sick; but when we do get sick and recover, it is because God healed us.
 - C. Sometimes God allows us to get sick so He can use our sickness for our good and sanctification and for His Glorification (Ps 30:2).
 - **D.** Jesus healed ten Lepers, but only one returned to thank Jesus (Luke 17:11-19)

III. <u>Thank God for His Redemption</u> (v. 4a)

- A. The Benefits of Redemption
- **B.** "Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy" (Ps 107:2) (Mark 5:1-20; Mark 5:18-19).
- IV. Thank God for His Lovingkindness and Tender Mercies (v. 4b)
 - A. God's mercies are great. God does not give us what we deserve. His grace is unmerited and undeserved.
 - **B.** We are saved by the Grace of God (Eph 2:8).
 - C. Grace is God choosing to Bless us rather than cursing us as our sin deserves.
 - D. Mercy is an attribute of God's character.
 - E. God's mercy withholds the punishment we deserve for our sin
 - F. God is merciful He sent His Son to pay the penalty for sin.

CONCLUSION:

- A. May Thanksgiving be on our lips and in our lives today, tomorrow and all year long Every day is Thanksgiving.
- **B.** Do not forget the benefits of God in your life. Thank Him for every Blessing He has given you.
- C. Count your Blessings, name them one by one and it will surprise you what the Lord has done.
- **D.** A-B-C of Salvation

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"the word of our God shall stand for ever" (Isa 40:8).