

Giving Thanks

“always giving thanks to God the Father for everything,
in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.” (Ephesians 5:20)

Psalm 100

¹ Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

² Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

³ Know that the LORD is God.

It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

⁵ For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

I am thankful for ...

God Himself –

"To whom will you compare me? Or who is my equal?" says the Holy One. (Isaiah 40:25)

What God has said –

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path. (Psalm 119:105)

What God has done for me –

Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits-- who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion, who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. (Psalm 103:2-5)

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. (Romans 8:28)

What God has given me –

Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. (James 1:17)

People in my life –

I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. (Ephesians 1:16)

1 Chronicles 29:10-14

David praised the LORD in the presence of the whole assembly, saying, "Praise be to you, O LORD, God of our father Israel, from everlasting to everlasting. Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendor, for everything in heaven and earth is yours. Yours, O LORD, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all. Wealth and honor come from you; you are the ruler of all things. In your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all. Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name.

"But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand.