

Happy Thanksgiving

Thankful to whom?

11/21/10

What is Thanksgiving?

1. The act of _____
2. A _____ expressing gratitude
3. A public acknowledgment or celebration of _____ goodness

“Be joyful always. Pray continually. Give thanks in all circumstances for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.”
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

I. Let’s be thankful to the right _____

If we’re going to say "thank you" we must say "thank you" to somebody and we need to make sure that it is the right somebody.

Everyone likes to hear the words. _____

The first definition defines thanksgiving as the act of giving thanks. Therefore, thanksgiving is an action. It is a verb. It is something you say or sacrifice, which communicates your gratitude to other.

II. Let’s be thankful for the right _____

The second definition is that of “a prayer expressing gratitude.”

Psalms 103 provides us with a beautiful outline of the right reasons to give thanks to God. Lord we want to thank you for..

1. All of your _____

“Praise the LORD, my soul, and forget not all his benefits.” V2

The scripture then goes on to mention just a few of the benefits that we have in the Lord.

2. Forgiving my _____
“who forgives all your sins” V3a

There is no more _____. Why?
“as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.”
Psalm 103:2

3. Keeping me _____
“and heals all your diseases” V3b

4. Lifting me out of a _____
“who redeems your life from the pit” V4a

“He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; he set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand.” Psalm 40:2

5. Bestowing on me my true hearts _____
“and crowns you with love and compassion” V4b

6. Satisfying my _____
“who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s” V5

“Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name.”
Hebrews 13:15

Thankful to whom?

“to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen.” Jude 1:25