

Praise the Lord, everybody. Praise the Lord. Hallelujah. We welcome everyone to church this morning, and we pray that you have come with a heart of expectation and thanksgiving, ready to give God praise and glory for His goodness. Hallelujah.

As we start this morning, let's rise up on our feet. Let's give Him thanks. Let's appreciate Him for life, for His goodness, for His mercy. The Bible says it is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed. His compassion faileth not. They are new every morning. Great is thy faithfulness, oh Lord. Let's lift up our voice this morning and say thank you, Lord. Thank you for your love. Thank you for your mercy. Thank you for your faithfulness. Thank you for preserving us. Thank you for bringing us into your house again this morning. Lord, we give you praise. Lord, we magnify your name. Thank you, Father. Thank you, Jesus. Hallelujah.

Father, we commit this service into your hands. We ask, oh God, that your presence will fill this place. We ask, oh God, that you will glorify yourself in our midst today. Let your word come with power. Let your word come with life. Let your word heal. Let your word deliver. Let your word strengthen. Let your word empower. Let your word correct. Let your word direct us today in the name of Jesus. We pray for everyone that will minister today, that your anointing will rest upon them. We pray for everyone that will worship, that Lord, you will help us to worship in spirit and in truth. We pray, oh God, that at the end of today's service, your name alone will be glorified. Thank you, Father. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

"Hallelujah. Can we lift our voices and begin to bless the name of the Lord. Just lift your voice wherever you are this morning and begin to say, Father, I thank you. Thank you, Jesus. Thank you for your love. Thank you for your grace. Thank you for your mercy. You have been so good. You have been so kind. You are faithful. Thank you, Lord Jesus. Hallelujah."

"We serve a good God. We serve a great God. We serve a faithful God. Come on, just take one more minute and bless His name. Father, I give you praise. Father, I give you glory. Father, I give you honor. Father, I give you adoration. Hallelujah."

"Now, lift up your voice and say, Lord, today I want an encounter with you. Today I want to hear your word. Today I want to be transformed by your word. Today I want my life to move forward. Today I want to be empowered to live for you. Today I want a fresh touch

from you. Lift your voice and pray that prayer right now. Lord, visit me. Lord, visit me. Lord, speak to me. Lord, empower me. Lord, strengthen me. Lord, touch me afresh today. Hallelujah."

"We give you praise, oh God. We honor your name. We magnify your name. Thank you, Lord Jesus. Blessed be your name. Hallelujah."

Hallelujah. We are going to start this morning by reading from Psalm 103. Psalm 103. And as we read this scripture this morning, let it be from your heart. Psalm 103 says, 'Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits: who forgives all your iniquities, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from destruction, who crowns you with loving kindness and tender mercies, who satisfies your mouth with good things, so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.' Hallelujah."

"Father, this morning we have come to say thank you for your benefits. Thank you for your goodness. Thank you for your mercy. Thank you for your forgiveness. Thank you for healing. Thank you for redemption. Thank you for crowning us with your loving kindness. Thank you for renewing our youth like the eagle's. We give you praise, Lord."

"Now, let's sing together this morning and bless the name of the Lord. Let's sing from our hearts and glorify His name. Hallelujah."

(Praise and worship songs are sung — transcription note: worship song lyrics may vary, not fully captured here.)

"Hallelujah. We bless your name, Lord. We glorify your name, Lord. You are worthy to be praised. You are worthy to be glorified. You are worthy to be honored. Blessed be your holy name."

"This morning, we are going to go into the word of God. But before we do that, I want you to lift your voice and say, Lord, prepare my heart for your word. Lord, help me to receive your word with faith and meekness. Lord, let your word profit me today. Lift your voice and pray that prayer. Lord, let your word profit me today. Let your word transform me

today. Let your word empower me today. Let your word bring light to my path. Let your word correct me where I need correction. Let your word encourage me where I need encouragement. Let your word strengthen me where I need strength. In the name of Jesus. Amen."

"Father, we thank you because the entrance of your word gives light and gives understanding to the simple. Let your word speak to us today. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen."

"This morning, I want to share with us briefly on the topic: The Power of Thanksgiving. The power of thanksgiving. And our text is taken from 1 Thessalonians 5:18. It says, 'In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.'"

"Now, thanksgiving is a powerful spiritual force. Many believers underestimate the power of thanksgiving. But if you will understand and engage thanksgiving properly, you will see God move in your life in extraordinary ways."

"Why is thanksgiving so powerful? Number one: Thanksgiving acknowledges God as your source. When you give thanks, you are saying, 'Lord, I recognize that every good thing I have comes from you.' James 1:17 says, 'Every good and perfect gift comes from above, from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variableness or shadow of turning.'"

"Number two: Thanksgiving provokes divine multiplication. We see this in the story of Jesus feeding the five thousand. Before Jesus multiplied the five loaves and two fishes, the Bible says He gave thanks. Thanksgiving provokes multiplication."

"Number three: Thanksgiving preserves your blessings. What you are not grateful for, you are likely to lose. Many times people lose what they have because they do not appreciate it. But when you continually give thanks to God, it preserves and sustains His blessings in your life."

"Number four: Thanksgiving positions you for more. When you thank God for what He has done, it positions you to receive more from Him. God responds to gratitude. God delights in the grateful heart."

"And number five: Thanksgiving brings peace. Philippians 4:6-7 says, 'Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God that passes all understanding shall guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.' When you give thanks, you experience supernatural peace

As we close this message this morning, I want to encourage you: develop a lifestyle of thanksgiving. Make it a habit to give thanks to God daily. Not only when things are good, but even in challenging times. The Bible says, 'In everything give thanks.' Not for everything, but in everything — no matter the situation, choose to give thanks."

"Remember that thanksgiving is not just about saying 'thank you' with your mouth; it is an attitude of the heart. It is a posture of humility. It is a lifestyle of acknowledging God and appreciating His goodness in your life."

"And as you do this, you will see God move mightily in your life. You will experience His peace. You will experience His provision. You will experience His protection. You will experience His power."

"Let us rise on our feet this morning and begin to give thanks to God. Lift your voice and begin to say, 'Lord, I thank you. Lord, I appreciate you. Lord, I magnify you. Thank you for life. Thank you for salvation. Thank you for your provision. Thank you for your protection. Thank you for your goodness. Thank you for your mercy.'

"Father, we give you praise. Father, we honor you. Father, we glorify you. Blessed be your name, oh Lord."

"And so, Father, this morning we ask for grace to live a life of thanksgiving. We ask for grace to always appreciate you, to always acknowledge you, to always honor you with

thanksgiving. Let it be our lifestyle. Let it be our daily practice. Let it be our heart posture. In the name of Jesus. Amen."

"Before we go this morning, if you are here and you have not given your life to Jesus Christ, I want to invite you to make that decision today. The greatest decision you can ever make is to surrender your life to Jesus. If you want to do that today, please say this prayer with me:

'Lord Jesus, I come to you today. I acknowledge that I am a sinner. I believe that you died for me and that you rose again on the third day. I confess you today as my Lord and Savior. Come into my life. Make me a new person. Fill me with your Spirit. Help me to live for you. Thank you, Jesus. Amen.'

"If you prayed that prayer sincerely from your heart, congratulations. You are now a child of God. Please see one of our ushers after the service for more information on how to grow in your walk with God."

"And for all of us, as we go into this new week, may the Lord go with you. May the Lord bless you. May the Lord keep you. May the Lord cause His face to shine upon you. May the Lord be gracious unto you. May He give you peace. May your week be filled with testimonies of His goodness. May you experience His power in new ways. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen."

"Let us share the grace together:

'The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the sweet fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us now and forever more. Amen.'

"Surely, goodness and mercy shall follow us all the days of our lives, and we shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever. Amen."

"Go in peace. The Lord bless you."