

- I. The text encourages us to be truly thankful. We need this encouragement:
- II. The text uses the concept of sacrifices for true thanksgiving.

### **Offering the Thanksgiving Sacrifice**

- I. **What It Is** - true thanksgiving is a life of praise in response to abundant, generous grace of God.
  - A. The figure of sacrifice teaches that thanksgiving is a response to God's grace.

B. Thanksgiving is a response of praise.

C. Thanksgiving is an attitude by which we live our lives - continually.

### **II. How It Is Offered**

A. The thanksgiving sacrifice is not an animal or a loaf of bread; it is not what we have grown in our gardens, but *the fruit of our lips giving thanks to His name*.

B. Thanksgiving is not simply offered at certain times of worship, but it is a life of worship.

### **III. How This Is Possible** - by Him.

A. It is only through Jesus Christ that we can offer this sacrifice of thanksgiving.

B. This should make us all the more thankful for what He has done.