

“Eucharisteo (To Give Thanks)”

God’s Grace Results In Thanksgiving To God’s Glory

Deaconeo Eucharisteo Apekdekomai Keiruso Tikto

Psalm 107; 2 Cor. 4:15; 9:10-15; Col. 4:2; Rev. 11:17

Our Greek word today is used nearly 40 times in the NT, and without exception it refers to giving THANKS TO GOD IN CHRIST. During this harvest season consider the activity of thanksgiving, and why it is possible. As Edward Winslow wrote in his 1621 letter a few months after the Puritan Thanksgiving: “although it be not always so plentiful as it was at that time with us, yet BY THE GOODNESS OF GOD we are far from want...” God’s grace enables us to live in vibrant gratefulness before His face.

I. You ought to engage in _____ thanksgiving. (2 Cor. 4:15; 9:10-15)

1. The world teaches _____ to say “thank you,” but not to _____.
2. The extension of _____ will increase God-_____ thanksgiving. Do you see it?
3. The apostle longed for more _____, because the gift is _____.

II. You ought to return often to the _____ of thanksgiving (Col. 4:2)

1. Thanksgiving is intimately connected to _____ (Phil. 4:6).and song (Col. 3:16).
2. It focuses us on past _____ and God’s _____. Discover answered prayer!
3. Be _____ in your prayers for God is _____.

III. You ought to _____ God for _____ Jesus Christ as King. (Rev. 11:17)

1. God’s _____ is manifested in the eternal _____ of Christ.
2. Grow strong in _____ and _____ in this reign while unbelievers _____.
3. What comes for our _____ is ultimately for the _____ of _____.
4. Seek the blessings _____ to heart-felt _____.