

Welcome To Grace Brethren Church

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**Praise the Lord, my soul; all my inmost
being, praise his holy name. Praise the
Lord, my soul, and forget not all his
benefits**

Psalm 103:1-2



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November 27, 2022

Sundays at Grace

Bible Classes: 9:00am

Grace Gathering [Courtyard]: 9:40am

Grace Worship Service: 10:00am

TEACHING SERIES:

*ON
THANKSGIVING*
[something to be grateful for]

“Let’s Just Praise The Lord”

Pastor Roy Halberg

**Weekly Theme Passage
Psalm 145**

We welcome our guests today and if you are new to Grace Norwalk and looking for a way to connect, text the word “CONNECT” to 562.444.1211 and we will text you occasional updates and events at GRACE. We are so glad you are here with us today.

GRACE STUDENT FUNDRAISER

If you are interested in having some of the Grace Students put up your outside Christmas Lights for a small donation let Tim Lansing know or text the words ‘Christmas Lights’ to 562-444-1211.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Laura Gibbens	Tue	Nov 29
Jessica Yrineo	Thu	Dec 01
Michelle Perkins	Sat	Dec 03

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Max & Maggie Olmedo	Sun	Nov 27
Dave & Sandy Goodwyn	Fri	Dec 02

EVENTS THIS WEEK @ GRACE

Hanging of the Greens	Sun	Nov 27	5:00pm
Women's Bible Study	Mon	Nov 28	7:00pm
Ironmen Bible Study (<i>Rm C103</i>)	Tue	Nov 29	6:30pm
Gonzalez Small Group (<i>Gonzalez Home</i>)	Tue	Nov 29	7:00pm
Bible Studies, Grace Students & Grace Kids	Wed	Nov 30	6:30pm
Worship Practice	Thu	Dec 01	6:30pm
Vision Team Meeting	Sat	Dec 03	8:00am
Grace Kids Teachers Meeting	Sun	Dec 04	12:00pm

COMING EVENTS

Special Church Meeting [<i>2023 Budget</i>]	Sun	Dec 11	11:45am
Christmas in the Courtyard	Sun	Dec 25	10:00am
Christmas Worship Service	Sun	Dec 25	10:45am



10:00 am Christmas in the Courtyard

[photo booth, coffee, hot cocoa,
breakfast bites, kid crafts & fellowship]

10:45 am Christmas Worship Service

[a special service for the whole family]

The last two weeks we have looked at the topic of Thanksgiving. The importance of being thankful. Being thankful in view of God's creation. Being thankful in response to God's goodness. But what about being thankful in the midst of adversity or evil?

Just as we continue to face our own adversities today, David documents his thankfulness to God in Psalm 52, during the events of evil and adversity being brought upon him & the priests, according to the events of 1 Samuel 21-22.

And David wasn't the only one with troubles. **1 Samuel 22:2** says, *"And everyone who was in distress, everyone who was in debt, and everyone who was discontented gathered to him (David)."* So how did David handle thankfulness in the middle of this full-court press from King Saul.

Psalm 52:8-9 says,

"But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God. I trust in the steadfast love of God forever and ever. I will thank you forever, because you have done it. I will wait for your name, for it is good, in the presence of the godly."

David **trusted** God, he **thanked** God and he **waited** on God. He gave thanks in expectation of what God would do. Is that how our thankfulness works? Do we thank God in our trials, in expectation of what He will do? Let's be honest, this is one of the hardest times to be thankful, but it is possible!

You might be going through something hard today. Know that God loves you and He is for you. Take a moment and find a quiet place and give God praise now, with expectation of what He will do! Don't wait for the trial to be over, do it in the midst of it.

Attendance Last Week:

In-Person Service: 124

Let's Just Praise The Lord
"On Thanksgiving" #3
Psalm 145
Pastor Roy Halberg

→ Have you ever had "one of those days"?

Did you ever have "one of those days" all week long?

→ How do you respond to those days?

1. We often Grumble or C_____
2. We sometimes Question or ask "W_____?" or "W_____ me?"
3. We may at times simply A_____ what happens
4. We may, in our best moments, remember to P_____

Praise & Thanks Should Permeate & Radiate From The Life Of Every Believer

1. THE COMMITMENT TO PRAISE & THANKS vv1-3

- A. The **STATEMENT** of his commitment "**I will**" (5xs—vv1, 2, 5, 6)
- B. The **DURATION** of his commitment: **How L_____** will he praise and thank?
"**forever and ever**" (3xs—vv1, 2, 21)
- C. The **FREQUENCY** of his commitment: **How O_____** will he praise & thank?
"**every day**" v2
- D. The **NATURE** of his commitment: **How** will he praise & thank?
- E. The **REAFFIRMATION** of his commitment
"my mouth will speak the praise of the lord" (v21)

2. THE CONTENT OF PRAISE AND THANKS

→ Praise is always filled with content . . . not just "praise the lord" but "praise the lord for..." or "praise the lord because..."

- A. Praise God for His **W_____** ... for what He says!
-God's "wondrous works" (v5) includes the root idea of something that is spoken
→ Do you have a favorite passage that you are **THANKFUL FOR?**
a promise of God, an exhortation from God, a command, instruction, etc
- B. Praise God for His **W_____** . . . for what He does!
-note use of these words
 - "Thy **works**" (v4, 9, 10)
 - "mighty **acts**" (v4)
 - Wonderful **works** (v5)
 - "awesome **acts**" (v6)
 - "mighty **acts**" (v12)
 - "kind in all His **deeds**" (v17)

→ Can you **SHARE SOMETHING SPECIFIC THAT GOD HAS DONE FOR YOU RECENTLY?** . . . an answer to prayer, a demonstration of his love/care for you, a show of his power on your behalf

- C. Praise God for His _____ . . . who He is!
-note the mention of God's "name" (v1, 2, 21) and attributes...
 - His greatness v3
 - His majesty v5
 - His abundant goodness v7
 - His Graciousness v8
 - His Mercifulness v8

→ Can you **EXPRESS PRAISE FOR A CHARACTER QUALITY OF GOD:**
one on this list or another...

SO WHAT? NOW WHAT? TAKING IT HOME!!

→ **THERE ARE PRINCIPLES HERE FOR LEARNING HOW TO PRAISE GOD:**

1. **V_____ YOUR PRAISE OF HIM**
→ "declare" (v4), "utter" (v7), "talk" (v11, 21)
2. **S_____ YOUR PRAISE OF HIM** (v 7)
3. **M_____ ON YOUR PRAISES OF HIM** (v5)
4. **KEEP A W_____ R_____ OF YOUR PRAISES OF HIM** (v6)

→ **REMEMBER:**

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