

Why Should I Be Thankful?

Psalm 92

Interesting Note: God creatively uses many metaphors to help us understand His Word, including trees. Palm and cedar trees, both evergreens, are utilized to picture His people as ones who bear fruit and fragrance with beautiful textures all through life in barren sand and rocky soil.

Introduction:

To give thanks and praise to God is not a selfish demand, it is the natural, appropriate, and good response of humans, the lowest of creatures given intelligence, when we experience the glory of God. For us not to praise God indicates a lack of something realized, while praise reflects the mental, emotional, and affectional heart of people recognizing God's holiness, love, and wonder in worship. Our will best blends with God's when we are thankful for Him. (Note: Ephesians 5:20; Colossians 3:17; 1 Thessalonians 1:12; 1 Timothy 1:12; Philemon 1:4.)

Lesson: Be thankful.

1. Thanksgiving Is Good. v. 1-3

We see _____ God is. v. 1

It bookends our _____ with lovingkindness and faithfulness. v. 2

It forms our songs and thoughts. v. 3

2. God Is Good. v. 4-11

He _____ great works. v. 4-5

He _____ His works to His people. v. 6-11

3. Thanksgiving Does Us Good. v. 12-15

_____ in God's temple. v. 12-15

_____ of God's truth. v. 15

Dig Deeper (Read, Study, Pray, and Share): Psalm 92; Romans 8:28-39; Philippians 4:14-19; 1 Corinthians 15:5; 2 Corinthians 9:11, 15; 1 Thessalonians 5:18