

GIVE THANKS!
Psalm 118:1-17

Psalm 118:1 - “Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His love endures forever!”

It’s been said, “A thankful spirit is one of the key distinguishing marks of a Christian. It sets us apart from the rest of the world, it makes us different.”

TWO THINGS TO CONSIDER:

1. THE BENEFITS OF A _____

- a. Increase your personal happiness – Philippians 4:4
Happiness is determined by attitude, not circumstances.
- b. Improve your witness for Christ – 1 Peter 2:12
Unfortunately, many Christians are sour people!
- c. Enhance your relationships – Beginning of Paul’s letters
How different would your marriage, home, church be if...?
- d. Solidify your relationship with God – Heb. 12:25; 1 Thess. 5:18
It’s been said that God lives in two places: Heaven and a humble grateful heart.

2. WAYS TO DEVELOP _____

- a. Remember that everything we have is from God – Psalm 24:1; 1 Cor.4:7; James 1:17
- b. Avoid complaining – Psalm 77:3; Philippians 2:13
“I used to think people complained because they had a lot of problems. But I have come to realize that they have problems because they complain.” – Dr. Dale Robbins
- c. Daily give thanks – Ephesians 5:19
Create a journal or a file on your computer where you list the things God has done for you.
Learn and sing by heart the old hymn, “Count Your Blessings”

**WHEN WAS THE LAST
TIME YOU REALLY GAVE GOD THANKS?**