

"BUILDING ON OUR DREAM IN 2019"



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THANKSGIVING

Introduction: Psalm 100 is only five verses in length, yet each verse is overflowing with practical truth.

Notice the words, "joyful," "gladness," "thanksgiving," "thankful." Remember, God never does anything by accident. Here we are being taught that joy and gladness are connected to a thankful heart, and that a thankful spirit is required to be consistent in joy and gladness. What are some of those things involved in thanksgiving?

FIRST: THE PRAISE EXPECTED.

PSALM 100:1-2

"Make a joyful noise....come before his presence with singing."

This should be the natural attitude of the person that claims they are a child of God, but sadly not all that profess their faith in Christ share this attitude. In many it's indifference, irritations, indignation, and impatience that drains the praise and joy out of the children of God.

We are to welcome the God of Heaven into our life just as we would receive a king into our home. When you welcome someone into your home, you try to make them feel as though they are part of your family. Notice: *"Serve the Lord with gladness."*

SECOND: THE PERSONAL ASSURANCE REQUIRED.

PSALM 100:3

"Know ye that the Lord he is God...we are his people."

It is not enough to know about God, but we are to personally know the Lord.

1. Know Him as Saviour.
2. Know Him as the Sovereign.
3. Know Him in service.

THIRD: THE PRACTICE THAT IS TO BE SEEN AND HEARD. PSALMS 100:4

"Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise..."

The condition of our heart will always be revealed by what we allow to proceed out of our mouth. There should be "thanksgiving" and "praise."

God's people are to be faithful to God's house. They are personally invited by the Lord Himself to enter, not only into the house of God, but into the Lord's presence.

*Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye Heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

FOURTH: THE POWER BEHIND THE PROMISES.

PSALM 100:5

"For the Lord is God; his mercy is everlasting; and His truth endureth to all


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Another prayer promise is given in the Bible. *1 John 3:22* says, “*And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.*” If we ask, we will receive because there is always a cause and effect. If we keep His commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in His sight, He will show His pleasure by answering our prayers. We ought to study the Bible to learn as much as we can about God’s promises concerning answered prayer. We should then claim all that we have learned.

Dr. Tom Neal Prayer is not a menial task. It is a very important command of God, and it is not a small task. One of the most taxing things a person can do is really pray. Jesus prayed, and He sweat great drops of blood. If you spend time with agony in four heart and soul, it will be very taxing and tiring. That is why our flesh rebels at prayer so much.

The reason most people do not have a prayer life is that they are not willing to pay the price. It is costly, but it is valuable. You may think that in order to start praying, you have to get your life right. You may believe that you need to start praying and never do it because you are not willing to pay the price. Christians want to pray until they find out how much it cost. Allow me to be very honest with you. I want to tell you that prayer is going to cost you. Some Christians come to the conclusion that if it is going to cost that much, then they just cannot do it. They will want somebody else to pray for them. No! Nobody can do your praying for you. Nobody can do your soul winning for you. Nobody can do your Bible reading for you. Nobody can live the Christian life for you. You must do it yourself, and it will cost you something. There is a price to pay to serve the Lord. That is the way God intended it to be.



“Now, therefore, I do recommend and assign Thursday, the 26th day of November next, to be devoted by the people of these States to the service of that great and glorious Being who is the beneficent author of all the good that was, that is, or that will be; that we may then all unite in rendering unto Him our sincere and humble thanks for His kind care and protection of the people of this country previous to their becoming a nation; for the signal and manifold mercies and the favorable interpositions of His providence in the course and conclusion of the late war; for the great degree of tranquilly, union, and plenty which we have since enjoyed; for the peaceable and rational manner in which we have been enabled to establish constitutions of government for our safety and happiness, and particularly the national one now lately instituted; for the civil and religious liberty with which we are blessed, and the means we have of acquiring and diffusing useful knowledge; and, in general, for all the great and various favors which He has been pleased to confer upon us.”

generations.”

God desires and gives us the power to be dedicated, loyal, and committed Christians.

Our Lord wants us to live our lives with the purpose of glorifying Him.

He does not want us to waste our life and scar it with sinful living.

It is the truth of God's Word that puts great confidence and boldness to trust in the will of God for our lives. That same truth creates a thankful spirit.

Conclusion: The person who is not “thankful” for the good things he has will never be happy for the things he wishes he had. If you are not thankful for what you already have then it would be very unusual for you to be thankful for what you will get. The reason for your unthankfulness is the condition of your heart. If your head is the problem there is a way to change it.

Prayer of Salvation

If you were to die today, are you 100% sure you would go to Heaven?

If not, would you be willing to pray this prayer with me?

‘Dear Jesus, I’m asking you to come into my heart and forgive me of my sins. I’m trusting you, Jesus, as my Saviour. Thank you for saving me. Amen.’ (Romans 10:9 and 10:13)



Prayer of Service

‘Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?’ (Acts 9:6)

A TEENAGE BOY WAS NERVOUS AT HIS FIRST DRIVING LESSON. AS HE WAS PULLING OUT OF THE PARKING LOT, THE INSTRUCTOR SAID, “TURN LEFT, AND DON’T FORGET TO LET THE PEOPLE BEHIND YOU KNOW WHAT YOU’RE DOING.” THE BOY TURNED TO THE STUDENTS SITTING IN THE BACK SEAT AND ANNOUNCED, “I’M TURNING LEFT.”



1621 FIRST THANKSGIVING CHEESECAKE

1 cup graham
cracker crumbs
1 cup sugar

4 pkg. (8 oz. each) Philadelphia
Cream Cheese, softened
1/4 cup butter, melted

1 tsp. vanilla
2 tbsp. sugar
4 eggs

Heat oven to 325°F. Combine graham crumbs, butter and 2 Tbsp. sugar; press onto bottom of 10-inch cast-iron skillet sprayed with cooking spray. Beat cream cheese with vanilla and remaining sugar in large bowl with mixer until blended. Add eggs, 1 at a time, mixing on low speed after each just until blended. Pour over crust. (Note: Pan will be very full.) Place pan on baking sheet, then place in oven. Bake 50 to 55 min. or until center of cheesecake is almost set. Cool completely. Refrigerate 4 hours.

Special Extra: Garnish finished cheesecake with nuts, and regional Thanksgiving fruits, such as cranberries, grapes, figs, blueberries, and/or raspberries.

“There’s no place like home when you have no money to go out.”



Pastor Jerry
Ross

A Young Man Should Not Hesitate To Draw His Sword Against Evil.

1 Samuel 1:14-15, “And David said unto him, How wast thou not afraid to stretch forth thine hand to destroy the LORD’S anointed? And David called one of the young men, and said, Go near, and fall upon him. And he smote him that he died.”

The latter part of King Saul’s reign was marked by jealousy and insecurity against David. King Saul hated him, haunted him, and hunted him. Twice, while Saul sought for David, God allowed David opportunity to kill Saul. Twice, David could have taken Saul’s life. But David understood a principle — you do not lift up your hand against divinely appointed authority.

When the news came of Saul and Jonathan’s death, from David’s lips is delivered a tender and gracious epitaph (***II Samuel 1:17-27***). He also delivered swift justice to the Amalekite who claimed to have slain Saul. David called to one of his young men to “fall upon” this messenger with a sword. The Amalekite died that day because he had dared to lift up his sword against God’s anointed leader of Israel.

Young man, there are times to draw your sword against evil. God’s appointed leader for every home is the father. A young man who stands passively by while someone mocks, disobeys or ridicules his father is not a man, but a boy. God’s anointed leader for your church is your pastor. A boy stands mute mouth while others seek to slay his pastor with their tongues, but a man draws his sword! Never lift up your hand against God’s appointed authority (whether it be a Sunday School teacher, your youth pastor, your boss, etc.), and never let any other man stand in your presence and do it unchallenged.

Something to 'CROW' about!

1. Heritage Baptist Church has had someone saved and baptized every week for the last fourteen (14) years in a row! Wow!
2. The buses are still rolling!
3. For our "Old-Time Religion" Conference.
4. A Clear Title—We have paid off our church property!

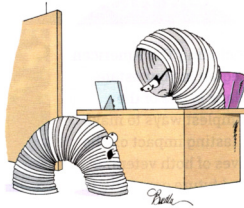


From Our Church Prayer List

1. Judy Kurpan
2. Ed Hosey
3. Sheila Spencer
4. Anita Miller
5. Michelle Lemons
6. Kevin McClain
7. Harold Cooper
8. Linda Sigstad
9. Carolyn Grindel



"YOUR SECURITY CLEARANCE ISN'T HIGH ENOUGH TO ORDER FROM THE CHEF'S SECRET RECIPES."



"SORRY I'M LATE. I TOOK THE STAIRS."



"HE NEVER TAKES A PENALTY."

WORRYING WORKS! NINETY PERCENT OF THE THINGS I WORRY ABOUT NEVER HAPPEN.

Our Church Ministries

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| 1. Fishermens' Club | 8. Counseling Ministry | 15. Teen Club |
| 2. Phoster Club | 9. Grounds and Maintenance | 16. Junior Church |
| 3. Bus Ministry | 10. Heritage Baptist Academy | 17. Ladies' WMS Ministry |
| 4. Sunday School | 11. Nursery | 18. Ushers |
| 5. Welcome Wagon | 12. Boys Bible Club | 19. Altar Workers |
| 6. Bookstore | 13. Girls Highlander Club | 20. Greeters |
| 7. Music Ministry | 14. Cleaning Ministry | |

I'VE NEVER WANTED TO KNOW THE ANSWER TO ANYTHING BAD ENOUGH TO ASK A QUESTION IN A MEETING THAT'S RUNNING 30 MINUTES OVER TIME.



**Mrs. Francie
Taylor**

Turn

"Turn you at my reproof: behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you." Proverbs 1:23

I said it more than once: "Don't ever try to touch the curling iron. You will get burned, and it will hurt for a long time."

Our young son had a hard time processing that com mand. I could tell by the look on his little face that he was still considering giving that curling iron a quick touch, just to see for himself.

Or to feel it for himself. The scream that came from the bathroom the day he finally got his way could be heard even with the windows closed. Our son had gone into the bathroom and grabbed the curling iron by the hot barrel. Never mind that I had the door closed and that he had been instructed not to go into the bathroom. This wasn't

a baby; this was a four-year-old. Curiosity, along with a healthy dose of stubbornness, won over obedience.

He was fortunate that the burns were only mild, but the big bandage on his little hand was a daily reminder of the cost of ignoring instructions.

Can you be corrected, or do you have to test to see if God is serious about what He said? "I can do this if I want to" has caused a lot of unnecessary pain.

When God says, "Don't go that way," turn around. When God says, "Turn," He is trying to provide another chance for us to reverse our course before we get hurt. Just as our son had a choice and could have left the curling iron alone, we have a choice to turn when we're being corrected.



Dr. Jack
Hyles

Pure Words

Proverbs 8:9 says, “*They are all plain to him that under standeth, and right to them that find knowledge.*” **Proverbs 30:5** says, “*Every word of God is pure....*” What more do you want! How much plainer can it be? This verse was written 500 to 600 years after Moses. Solomon, who was the wisest man in all the world, said that every word of God “is pure” at that time.

Proverbs 30:6 says, “*Add thou not unto his words....*” Solomon said not to add anything to the word of God. He said, “Do not add anything to the book of Genesis. Do not add anything to Exodus. Do not you add anything to Leviticus or Numbers or Deuteronomy.” Solomon said that at that time every word of God that he had was pure.

In **Luke 24:27**, Jesus is talking and says, “*And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.*” He

continues in verse 44, “*... These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me.*” David said, “Don’t add anything to the Pentateuch.” Jesus said, “All the words are true in the Pentateuch, in the Psalms, and the prophets.”

John 15:7 says, “*If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.*” The Bible says, “my words,” not “my thoughts” or “my truths” or “my doctrine.” No! It says, “my words.” If the words of God must abide in you so that you can get your prayers answered, then the words of God must be somewhere. Would Jesus have told us to do something that was impossible to do?

In David’s time there were no originals, but the Bible was pure. In Solomon’s time there were no originals, but the Bible was pure. In Jesus’ time there were no originals, but the Bible was pure. So, we know that God preserved His words from David’s time and Solomon’s time until the prophets’ time because Jesus said that God did. Again, we know that God’s words were preserved until the time of Jesus because that was a part of forever just as today is also a part of forever.

If you have to have all of the words of God to live and to get your prayers answered and to teach your children, I would start my search if I were you.

“Home is where most go when they are tired of being nice to people.”

Fall Program—2019
September 22nd to November 24th

Food



Treasure Hunt

Wow!

Games



Fun

HORSES



Hayrides

“No drunken sailor ever spent money as fast as a sober congressman.”



Dr. Greg
Neal

Undeserved Positions

Ruth 2:13, “*Let me find favour in thy sight, my lord; for that thou hast comforted me, and for that thou hast spoken friendly unto thine handmaid, though I be not like unto one of thine handmaidens.*” In other words, she was saying, “You have treated me like one of your own handmaidens, even though I am not.” The third truth is that grace places us in undeserved positions. That is what grace does. We do a pretty good job of thinking that we deserve everything we have. We do an even better job of thinking that we deserve more than we have. After all, we are not as bad as the rest of the world. Are we? That is the way we think, but grace places all of us in undeserved positions. Grace gives us a second chance. When we fail God, we do not deserve a second chance. When we disappoint Him, we do not deserve a second chance. How many of us are way past our second chance? God puts us in a place of undeserved positions.

Ruth said, “You have made me as one of your handmaidens, even though I am not.” When grace puts us in an undeserved position, we become like one of the family. When we trust Christ as our Saviour, we become part of the family. God is our Heavenly Father. I am a child of God! If we are saved by that grace, we are a child of God! We belong in His family. We do not deserve that, but grace places us in undeserved positions. We are part of the family of God. We do not deserve it; but glory to God, He has bestowed that upon us. We need to put things in perspective. God loved us enough to send His Son to die on the cross and pay for our sins. When we accepted that payment and that gift, we became part of His family. This is a position we do not deserve, a claim that there is only one reason we can make, because God’s grace places us in undeserved positions.



Dr. Bob Gray

What Our Nation Has Become

It appears that the psychologists and psychiatrists have led America to believe that each of us who does anything wrong is a result of what someone else did. We are becoming a society of victims! Even fundamental Baptist preachers are leaving their pulpits and becoming professional counselors. The truth is, they received their training from the same humanistic institutions that are opposed to the Bible and old-time religion. Then they come back and tell us that we are victims.

A victim of circumstances, they say! A victim of heredity, they say! A victim of poverty, they say! No! We cause our own problems; they are not caused by someone else. It is time to understand and accept personal responsibility for our actions from birth to death.

Romans 14:12, "So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God." Your father is not going to answer for your laziness. Your mother is not the reason you sin; your personality is not the problem, nor is it the reason! Laziness and lack of character cannot be attributed to anyone but the fellow you shave or the woman whose hair you fix in the morning.

Sin seems to be nobody's fault any more. The Charismatics have found "demons" to blame! Fundamentalists are just as bad when we listen to the humanists of the religious world. "My father yelled at us, and that is why I have a hot temper!" Do not blame your father for your hot temper. The temper belongs to you, not him!

THANKSGIVING JOKES TO SHARE BETWEEN COURSES:

WHAT'S THE SMALLEST UNIT OF MEASUREMENT IN THE PILGRIM COOK BOOK? A PILGRAM.

WHAT DO YOU CALL AN EVIL TURKEY? POULTRY-GEIST.

WHAT KIND OF TAN DID PILGRIMS GET AT THE BEACH? A PURITAN.



The majority of the credit for making the annual Thanksgiving holiday a national holiday goes to Sarah Josepha Hale. She was the editor of Ladies Magazine and Godey's Lady's Book. In 1827 she began to advocate for Thanksgiving by printing articles in the magazines. She also published stories and recipes, and wrote letters to governors, senators, and presidents. It took her 36 years to persuade the President and Congress to her point of view. On October 3, 1863, supported by the Union victory at Gettysburg, President Lincoln proclaimed November 26 a national day of Thanksgiving, to be observed every year on the fourth Thursday of November.

A MAN WHO OWNED A LARGE MANSION CONTACTED A REAL ESTATE BROKER TO SELL IT FOR HIM. IN THE NEXT SUNDAY'S NEWSPAPER, HE READ THE AD THE BROKER HAD PUT TOGETHER. IT SOUNDED SO GOOD THAT HE RE-READ IT TO HIMSELF. THEN HE CALLED THE BROKER AND SAID, "I'VE DECIDED NOT TO SELL." THE BROKER ASKED, "WHAT CHANGED YOUR MIND?" "YOUR AD. IT CONVINCED ME THIS WAS THE HOUSE I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR ALL MY LIFE."

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Hear Ye!
Twenty Fifth Annual Father & Son
Turkey Shoot and Chili Supper
 Saturday, October 19th, 2:00 PM until 5:00 PM

2019 Top Guns

	
	
Chili Cook-off	Chili Cook-off
	
Sons' Division Bryson Collingsworth	Fathers' Division Jeremy Elliott

Top guns:
 Pastor Collingsworth — 4 First Place and 5 Second Place
 Bro. Watson — 3 First Place and 4 Second Place
 Bro. Berezne — 3 First Place and 1 Second Place

Our Statement of Faith

We accept the Holy Scriptures contained in the Old and New Testaments as being the verbally inspired Word of God and being perfectly preserved in the King James 1611 Bible. We do not believe it can be corrected or improved upon in any way. It is the final rule of faith and practice. **Psalm 12:6-7, 1 Peter 1:23**

We believe in the triune God, who is eternally in three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. **Matt. 28:19-20**
We believe in the deity of Christ— His virgin birth, His sinless life, His death for the sins of the world, His bodily resurrection, His exaltation at God's right hand, His personal, imminent, and premillennial return.

1 Corinthians 15:3-4, 1 Timothy 3:16, Acts 1:11

We believe that all men are sinners and are guilty before God; in need of a Saviour. **Romans 3:23**

We believe that men are born again through faith in Jesus Christ; that they become the children of God, eternally saved; that the Holy Spirit dwells within every believer to guide and help him in his testimony and service.

Acts 16:30-31, Galatians 2:16, Ephesians 1:13, John 10:28

We believe in the bodily resurrection of the just and the unjust, the everlasting blessedness of the saved in Glory, and the everlasting conscious punishment of the lost in hell. We believe that all believers have a responsibility to get the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ into all the world. **John 5:28-29, Luke 16:22-23, Rev. 20:11-15**

We believe that Baptist churches were the first churches of Christianity and that Jesus founded a Baptist church. **John 1:35-37, Acts 1:22**

Baptist Beliefs

Biblical Authority

Autonomy of the Local Church

Priesthood of ALL Believers

Two ordinances - Baptism & Communion

Immersed Church Membership

Soul-liberty

Two officers - Pastors and Deacons

Separation of Church and State

Baptist Heritage

- **John the Baptist**, Exalter of Christ
- **Meno Simons** (1496-1561), Dutch Anabaptist leader
- **Roger Williams** (1603-1683), Founded the first Baptist church in America in Providence, Rhode Island in 1638.
- **John Clarke** (1609-1676) was a Baptist preacher, medical doctor, and co-founder of the colony of Rhode Island. He was a driving force to get religious freedom into the charter of Rhode Island.
- **John Bunyan** (1628-1688), Baptist preacher who wrote *Pilgrim's Progress*
- **Charles Spurgeon** (1834-1892), might be the greatest Baptist pastor
- **John Franklyn Norris** (1877-1952), founder of World Baptist Fellowship
- **Jack Frasure Hyles** (1926-2001), 10,000 baptisms per year

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