

Thanksgiving: The Key to God's Presence

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Scriptures:

- Psalm 16:11
- Exodus 33:14
- Psalm 100:4
- 1 Chronicles 16:25
- 1 Chronicles 29:10-14
- Psalm 139:14
- Isaiah 38:18
- Psalm 44:8

Summary:

Relationships are essential to a fulfilling life, and the most important one is a relationship with God. Spending time with Him has multiple benefits; not only does it make us happy and joyful, but it also makes us strong and gives us wisdom and peace. When the enemy attacks that peace, we maintain it by giving God thanks and praise. Gratitude gives us a new perspective and prevents the troubles of the world from overwhelming us; a thankful attitude improves our spiritual vision. Nothing is ever perfect, but we can always find things to give thanks about. We can't help but worship when we refocus from ourselves to Jesus and everything He's done for us. Giving God glory for the good in our lives while allowing Him to turn the bad things around for our good is a powerful weapon in our spiritual arsenal.

Notes:

1. God's presence makes a powerful difference in our lives. He brings us peace, joy, and strength.
2. Keeping company with God shows others that we're taking a different path in life than they are.
3. Our peace is under attack; the best place to maintain it is in God's presence.
4. We were created to praise God. Pausing to think of all our blessings results in deep gratitude.
5. Our chief motivation for praise and thanksgiving is God's greatness.
6. God created and delivered us for the purpose of praising and thanking Him.

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