

Because He has done Great Things

Deuteronomy 8:11-16

Introduction:

Thanksgiving – is the act of expressing one's gratitude. We are to praise the Lord for His goodness and blessings. And because of our Christian inheritance of salvation and eternal life it should inspire our continual thanksgiving to God.

I. Warning Never Forget God v.11a

- a. We should never need to be reminded to give God praise and thanks
- b. God doesn't like to be taken for granted
Lev 26:14-16

II. Evidence of Our Remembrance v.11b

- a. Should be seen in how we live
- b. Keeping His commands, His laws and decrees
- c. We are created to praise Him Isa 43:21

III. Getting Caught Up In The Blessings vss 12-13

- a. God blesses us to encourage us not distract us
- b. When we get caught up in the blessings we forget to give thanks unto the Lord
- c. Every good and perfect gift comes from Him James 1:17

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IV. It Is All God and Always Will Be v.14

- a. We are wrong when we get puffed up in pride thinking we did something Deut 8:18
- b. We just need to remember Who it was that freed us from the bonds of Sin
- c. We should give God thanks in all circumstances 1 Thess 5:18

V. It Is God Who Brings Us Through v.15

- a. God is always present in our trials and tribulations Ps 46:1-2

VI. God Provides All Our Needs v.16

- a. The manna was to teach them to depend on God daily
- b. The land can't provide all our needs
- c. God humbles us to lead us to depend on Him
- d. God has promised to meet all our needs Phil 4:19

Thanks-Living – is living out our thankfulness before the Lord every day; in good times, the bad times, and even the in between times, because this truly is our reasonable service before the Lord.