

The Great Grace of Gratitude
Psalm 100

Psalm 100:1-5 (NIV)

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

I. The Companion of Gratitude

Verse 1, 2 – “Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.”

John 15:11 (ESV)

“These things I have spoken to you so that My joy may be in you, and *that* your joy may be made full.”

Psalm 16:11 (ESV)

“In Your presence there is fullness of joy; at Your right hand there are pleasures forevermore.”

II. The Submission of Gratitude

Verse 3 – “Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.”

III. The Expressions of Gratitude

Verse 4 – “Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.”

Hebrews 13:15 (NASB)

“Through Him then, let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that give thanks to His name.”

IV. The Motivation for Gratitude

Verse 5 – “For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.”

- *God is Always Good*
- God’s Love never Fails
- God’s Faithfulness Is Forever

Five simple steps to Cultivate Gratitude:

- Keep a Journal
- Write a Note
- Teach a Child
- Give a Gift

Psalm 107:21-22 (HCSB)

Let them give thanks to the LORD for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men. Let them sacrifice thank offerings and tell of his works with songs of joy.

- Pray a Prayer