

#14 - November - "Thanksgiving: A Time and Season of Praise"

Overall Theme: *THE YEAR 2008 AND GOING FORWARD - : "THE MESSAGE OF THE BIBLE"*

Sub-Theme: "AM I READY TO GO TO HEAVEN – TODAY?"

Topic: "NOVEMBER - THANKSGIVING: A TIME AND SEASON OF PRAISE!"

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"O give THANKS [gratitude, appreciation, recognition, indebtedness] unto the LORD, for HE is GOOD [and HIS LOVE never quits(MSG)/fails (CEV)]; for HIS MERCY [lovingkindness, faithful love] NLT) endureth forever!"

(I Chronicles 16:34, Psalm 106:1 - KJV)

PART A: Introduction and Background:

God Bless you for your decision to read and study the sub-theme for these times of confusion, hatred, divisiveness, troubles, violence – all leading to more and more to ungodliness/unrighteous living – BUT AT THE SAME TIME - evidencing more and more that we must answer the question, "Are You Ready to Go to Heaven – *TODAY?*"!

Thanksgiving is *much more* than giving thanks to God one time or one day of the year. Rather, Thanksgiving is/should be a time of reflection of gratitude for all God has done for us – from our beginning of life to this present moment of time – remembering that even in our times of misfortune, in our times of distress, and in our times of lowliness, illness, despair, HE was/is still there for us!

During this "season" of Thanksgiving, through the readings of these Inspirational Scriptures, let us reflect upon God's Grace, Mercy, Peace, and Love towards us (and our families, friends, associates, and others).

Thanksgiving *should be recognized as a Christian Time* in that it should focus upon **GOD** as the **TRUE SOURCE** of our Life, including our inexhaustible and many Blessings to us, our families, and others during this entire year. In fact, if our focus were completely upon **GOD**, there would be *no time for us to be ungodly nor unrighteous towards HIM*.

****Why should We be Thankful to GOD?** (Four reasons; of course there are many, many more!

Your Assignment: For *Your Responses* in #5 below, list those most pertinent to you.

- 1) Giving thanks to **GOD** honors **HIM**. II Corinthians 4:15
- 2) Giving **GOD** thanks is commanded in the Holy Scriptures. (I Thessalonians 5:18, Colossians 3:15,

- 3) Lack of thankfulness to **GOD** can result in bitterness, complaining, joylessness, etc. (Romans 1:21, II Corinthians 2:14)
- 4) Thankfulness to **GOD** can be beneficial for us. Question to Answer: How?
- 5) Your Responses:

PART B: Instructions for November 1 through November 30:

Read the Introduction, then be guided by this Study Guide:

- a) For your easiest accessibility for your immediate use, choose your source of Social Media for posting Scripture Readings, etc. (Smart Phone, Tablet, etc.)
- b) This topic gives thanks to **GOD** for all **HE** has done/is doing, and will continue to do for us.
- c) Try and respond to assignments, comments, etc.

PART C Bible Readings, including Inspirational Scriptures regarding this Season of Thanksgiving:

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Nov. 1 - Deuteronomy 8:11-14; I Chronicles 16:8.

Nov. 2 - Psalm 7:17; 9:1

Nov. 3 – Psalm 26:6-7; 28:7; 50:23

Nov. 4 – Psalm 69:30; 95:1-6

Nov. 5 – Psalm 100:1-5

Nov. 5 – Psalm 106:1; 107:21, 22

Nov. 6 – Psalm 147:1-6

Nov. 7 – Psalm 147:7-8, 11

Nov. 8 - Isaiah 12:1-3

Nov. 9 - Isaiah 12:4-7

Nov. 10 - Jeremiah 30:19-22

Nov. 11 - Jeremiah . 33:11; Daniel 2:23

Nov. 12 – Jonah 2:9

Nov. 13 – II Corinthians 2:14; 9:10-11, 15

Nov. 14 – I Thessalonians 5:17-18

Nov. 15 – I Thessalonians 5:22-24

Nov. 16 – I Timothy 2:1; Hebrews 12:28-29

Nov. 17 – Hebrews 13:1-12

Nov. 18 – Hebrews 13:13-25

Nov. 19 – James 1:7-21

Nov. 20 – James 1:22-27

Nov. 21 – Rev. 11:17

Nov. 22 – Rev. 7:12

Part C: Continued Assignments from November 23 through November 30:

- 1) Continue to locate more Scriptures from the Old Testament and the New Testament that reflect Praises to **GOD** for **HIS** many Blessings to us every day and every second of every day!

*****Write your Scriptures here.

Nov. 23 - _____
Nov. 24 - _____
Nov. 25 - _____
Nov. 26 - _____
Nov. 27 - _____
Nov. 28 - _____
Nov. 28 - _____
Nov. 29 - _____
Nov. 30 - _____

- 2) Reflect on your readings from this topic.

PART D: Conclusion:

There are many more Verses of the Scriptures to address and reflect upon during this and every season of the year relative to **GOD's Blessings** to and for us; *Praise GOD for everyone* of them!!

May **GOD** Bless you for the time you spent in the reading and studying of **HIS WORD!**