

**FORGET NOT ALL HIS BENEFITS**  
**Psalms 103: 1-22**

**TEXT:**

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***<sup>1</sup> Bless the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless His Holy Name.***

***<sup>2</sup> Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits:***

***<sup>3</sup> Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; Who healeth all thy diseases;***

***<sup>4</sup> Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; Who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies;***

***<sup>5</sup> Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.***

***<sup>6</sup> The LORD executeth righteousness and judgment for all that are oppressed.***

***<sup>7</sup> He made known His ways unto Moses, His acts unto the children of Israel.***

***<sup>8</sup> The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.***

***<sup>9</sup> He will not always chide: neither will He keep His anger for ever.***

***<sup>10</sup> He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.***

***<sup>11</sup> For as the Heaven is high above the earth, so great is His mercy toward them that fear Him.***

***<sup>12</sup> As far as the east is from the west, so far hath He removed our transgressions from us.***

***<sup>13</sup> Like as a father pitieth his children, so the LORD pitieth them that fear Him.***

***<sup>14</sup> For He knoweth our frame; He remembereth that we are dust.***



<sup>15</sup> ***As for man, his days are as grass: as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth.***

<sup>16</sup> ***For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more.***

<sup>17</sup> ***But the mercy of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear Him, and His righteousness unto children's children;***

<sup>18</sup> ***To such as keep His covenant, and to those that remember His commandments to do them.***

<sup>19</sup> ***The LORD hath prepared His throne in the heavens; and His kingdom ruleth over all.***

<sup>20</sup> ***Bless the LORD, ye His angels, that excel in strength, that do His commandments, hearkening unto the voice of His Word.***

<sup>21</sup> ***Bless ye the LORD, all ye His hosts; ye ministers of His, that do His pleasure.***

<sup>22</sup> ***Bless the LORD, all His works in all places of His dominion: bless the LORD, O my soul.***

### **Introduction:**

These 22 verses David composes a psalm of thanksgiving, of praise, of gratitude and worship to the Lord his God. The Scriptures teach us to give unto the Lord the glory which is due unto His Name. In many cases, it is long overdue or past due.

***1 Chronicles 16:29: Give unto the Lord the glory due unto His Name: bring an offering, and come before Him: worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.***

***Psalm 29:2: Give unto the Lord the glory due unto His Name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.***



***Psalm 96:7–8:***

***<sup>7</sup> Give unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the people, give unto the Lord glory and strength.***

***<sup>8</sup> Give unto the Lord the glory due unto His Name: bring an offering,***

***and come into His courts.***

It is a natural tendency, when our hearts begin to drift away from the Lord that ingratitude begins to set in. We become forgetful of all the Lord's goodness and benefits of Calvary. In this Psalm, the expectation is being given by the Psalmist, David, to his own soul, to awaken and enter into a renewed offering up of praise, adoration, and worship of the Lord.

**Question:** Is your "praise-er" still working? Is it functioning like it should function? The Lord takes particular notice of our gratitude or ingratitude. We see this in:

***Luke 17:17-18:***

***<sup>17</sup> And Jesus ANSWERing said, Were there not ten cleansed? but where are the nine?"***

***<sup>18</sup> There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger.***

King David is taking a very close look into the garden of his soul. He finds that those beautiful flowers of gratitude, praise, and thanksgiving are mighty scarce. He sees the need to break up the ground of his soul, to cultivate it, and replant the seeds of thanksgiving, worship, praise, adoration and gratitude.

**Question:** Do you know that it is a matter of choice whether we praise and give thanks to the Lord or not?

**Answer:** ***Psalms 34:1: I will bless the Lord at all times. His praise shall continually be in my mouth.***

Beloved Christian brothers and sisters, if your soul's garden is not filled with these wonderful flowers of gratitude, thanksgiving and praise to the Lord, it is then becoming barren soil. The devil will plant in the tares of his stink weeds of bitterness, malice, anger, evil speaking, arguing, fussing, debate, nagging, complaining and grumbling. In the Parable of the Sower, it says:

**Matthew 13:25: But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way.**



## 1. THE OBJECT of PRAISE to THE LORD:

**Question:** Did you take notice that the psalmist never before mentions the reasons for expressing gratitude and praise and Thanksgiving to the Lord Whom he is praising?

**Question:** What are some of the Lord's benefits?

### A. God's wonderful divine health plan

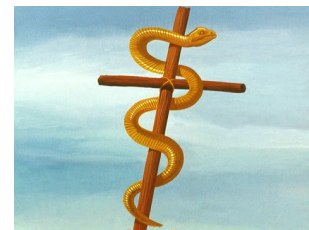
Who heals all the diseases! Did you see that "ALL" in **Psalm 103:3**?  
God's wonderful health plan is mentioned first in:

**Exodus 15:26: And said, If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in His sight, and wilt give ear to His commandments, and keep all His statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the Lord that healeth thee.**

**Deuteronomy 7:15: And the LORD will take away from thee all sickness, and will put none of the evil diseases of Egypt, which thou knowest, upon thee; but will lay them upon all them that hate thee.**

### B. God's wonderful blessing of healing

In the wilderness, when the people of God began to bellyache and complain, there were plagues by fiery serpents which caused many to die. Moses cried to the Lord for a remedy and the Lord told him to make a serpent of brass, put it on a pole;



and whoever was bitten by poisonous snakes, and looked on that bronze serpent would be miraculously healed by the power of God.



***John 3:14: And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up:***

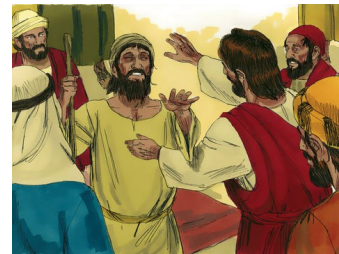
***Matthew 8:16-17:***

***<sup>16</sup> When the even [evening] was come, they brought unto Him [Jesus] many that were possessed with devils: and He cast out the spirits with His Word, and healed all that were sick:***

***<sup>17</sup> That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias [Isaiah] the Prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.***

***Luke 4:40: Now when the sun was setting, all they that had any sick with diverse diseases brought them unto Him [Jesus]; and He laid His hands on every one of them, and healed them.***

***Luke 6:19: And the whole multitude sought to touch Him [Jesus]: for there went virtue out of Him, and healed them all.***



***Acts 5:16: There came also a multitude out of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing sick folks, and them which were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed every one.***

This is the marvelous second benefit which Jesus provided for us at Calvary.

***Mark 16:15–18:***

***<sup>15</sup> And He said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature.***

***<sup>16</sup> He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that***

*believeth not shall be damned.*

*<sup>17</sup> And these signs shall follow them that believe; In My Name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;*

*<sup>18</sup> They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.*

**C. Our sins can bring on sickness and disease. He forgives and heals.**

King David's sins brought on him sickness and disease which he describes to us in:

***Psalms 31:9-10:***

*<sup>9</sup> Have mercy upon me, O LORD, for I am in trouble: mine eye is consumed with grief, yea, my soul and my belly.*

*<sup>10</sup> For my life is spent with grief, and my years with sighing: my strength faileth because of mine iniquity, and my bones are consumed.*

***Psalms 38:4–8:***

*<sup>4</sup> For mine iniquities are gone over mine head: as an heavy burden they are too heavy for me.*



*<sup>5</sup> My wounds stink and are corrupt because of my foolishness.*

*<sup>6</sup> I am troubled; I am bowed down greatly; I go mourning all the day long.*

*<sup>7</sup> For my loins are filled with a loathsome disease: and there is no soundness in my flesh.*

*<sup>8</sup> I am feeble and sore broken: I have roared by reason of the disquietness of my heart.*

***Psalms 38:11:** My lovers and my friends stand aloof from my sore; and my kinsmen stand afar off.*

**D. The Lord can forgive our iniquities.**

The Lord wants you to be well and healthy. In **Psalms 103:3** He both forgives all our iniquities; and also heals all diseases.

***Psalms 103:3: Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; Who healeth all thy diseases;***

In **Joshua 5:14–15**, Joshua asks:

***14 . . . Nay; but as Captain of the Host of the LORD am I now come. And Joshua fell on his face to the earth, and did worship, and said unto Him, What saith my Lord unto His servant?***

***15 And the Captain of the LORD's Host said unto Joshua, Loose thy shoe from off thy foot; for the place whereon thou standest is Holy. And Joshua did so.***

The Lord does not will for us to be wallowing in sin nor is it His Will for us to be polluted with germs and diseases. He provided a marvelous deliverance from both of them.

The double cure:

***Psalms 103:3: Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; Who healeth all thy diseases;***

***Psalms 32:1–2:***

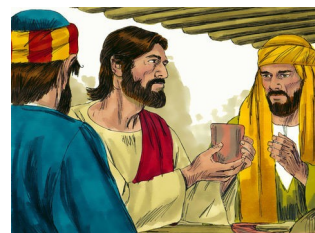
***1 Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.***

***2 Blessed is the man unto whom the LORD imputeth not iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no guile.***

***Psalms 85:2: Thou hast forgiven the iniquity of Thy people, Thou hast covered all their sin. Selah.***

***1 Corinthians 11:25–26:***

***25 After the same manner also He took the cup, when He had supped, saying,***





*this cup is the New Testament in My Blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me.*

*<sup>26</sup> For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till He come.*

*Matthew 8:16–17:*

*<sup>16</sup> When the even was come, they brought unto Him many that were possessed with devils: and He cast out the spirits with His Word, and healed all that were sick:*

*<sup>17</sup> That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias [Isaiah] the Prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.*

*Isaiah 53:5: But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed.*

## **2. EXHORTATION: FORGET NOT ALL HIS BENEFITS or REASONS for PRAISING THE LORD**

**Question:** What are some of the Lord's benefits?

**Answer:** The greatest of all His benefits is *forgiveness*. It is the first and foremost.

*Psalms 32:1: Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.*

*Ephesians 1:7: In whom we have redemption through His Blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His Grace;*

**Question:** What is so wonderful about the Lord's forgiveness, as different from ours?

**Answer:** When the Lord forgives, He forgets.

*Isaiah 43:25: I, even I, am He that blotteth out thy*



*transgressions for Mine Own sake, and will not remember thy sins.*

*Jeremiah 31:34b: . . . for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.*

**Question:** Did you know there is only one thing in all the universe that God forgets?

**Answer:** All thine iniquities!

*Psalms 103:3: Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; Who healeth all thy diseases;*

**Don't forget that little dinky word, He forgives it - "ALL" - thine iniquities.**

**Question:** What else?

**Answer:** He heals "All thy diseases".

Not only is His forgiveness marvelous, because it includes "all our iniquities", but there is a double blessing included. He heals all the diseases. God wants us to have a healthy soul and a healthy and well body. Healing is necessary for we are now dealing with the consequences of sinning.

### **Praising the Lord in His Holiness:**

Before getting into this wonderful divine healing and health plan, another reason for praising the Lord is His Holiness. Take another look at verse one.

*Psalms 103:1: Bless the Lord O my soul and all that is within me, bless His Holy Name.*

Praise God for His Holiness. Only holy people can bless Him for His Holiness. Some may be allergic to holiness preaching, but a true Christian delights in purity and holiness. Why? Because we are partakers of His Holiness, having escaped the corruption which is in the world through lust.

- **2 Peter 1:4b: being partakers of the Divine nature.**
- **Hebrews 12:10: For they verily for a few days chastened us after their own pleasure; but He for our profit, that we might be partakers of His Holiness.**
- **Ephesians 1:4: . . . He [God] hath chosen us in Him [Christ] before the foundation of the world that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love.**
- **Ephesians 5:25-27:**
  - <sup>25</sup> Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for it;**
  - <sup>26</sup> That He might cleanse and sanctify it with the washing of water by the Word.**
  - <sup>27</sup> That He might present it to Himself a glorious Church not having spot, wrinkle or any such thing but that it should be holy and without blemish.**



**FIRST: Peter 1:15: Be ye holy for I [the Lord God] am Holy.**

Christ will never condone sins of our flesh:

**Romans 8:3: For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending His Own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:**

**We ought to be thankful that the Lord does not cast us away for dabbling in sin.**

### **3. REASONS FOR PRAISING GOD**

#### **A. Forgiving us - victory over sin, even every besetting sin.**

**Ephesians 5:20: Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;**

**Romans 6:1–22:**

***<sup>1</sup> What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound?***

***<sup>2</sup> God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?***

***<sup>3</sup> Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into His death?***

***<sup>4</sup> Therefore we are buried with Him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the Glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.***

***<sup>5</sup> For if we have been planted together in the likeness of His death, we shall be also in the likeness of His resurrection:***

***<sup>6</sup> Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin.***

***<sup>7</sup> For he that is dead is freed from sin.***

***<sup>8</sup> Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him:***

***<sup>9</sup> Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over Him.***

***<sup>10</sup> For in that He died, He died unto sin once: but in that He liveth, He liveth unto God.***

***<sup>11</sup> Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.***

***<sup>12</sup> Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof.***

***<sup>13</sup> Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.***

***<sup>14</sup> For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.***



***15 What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid.***

***16 Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?***

***17 But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you.***

***18 Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.***

***19 I speak after the manner of men because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have yielded your members servants to unclean.***

***18 Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.***

***19 I speak after the manner of men because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity unto iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness.***

***20 For when ye were the servants of sin, ye were free from righteousness.***

***21 What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? for the end of those things is death.***

***22 But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life.***

**John 8:31–36:**

***31 Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on Him, If ye continue in My Word, then are ye My disciples indeed;***

***32 And ye shall know the Truth, and the Truth shall make you free.***

***33 They answered Him, “We be Abraham’s seed, and were never in bondage to any man: how sayest Thou, ‘Ye shall be made free?’”***

***34 Jesus answered them, “Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin.***

***35 And the servant abideth not in the house for ever: but the Son abideth ever.***

***36 If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.”***



***2 Corinthians 2:14: Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of His knowledge by us in every place.***

***1 Corinthians 15:57: But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.***

***Romans 8:3: For what the Law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending His Own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:***

## **B. Christ our Savior brings rest to our souls.**

***Matthew 11:20: Then began He to upbraid the cities wherein most of His mighty works were done, because they repented not:***

The load of guilt is the cause of uneasiness and a troubled mind. The fear of Judgment Day and the sentence of punishment brings uneasiness and turmoil to the soul.

***Isaiah 48:22: There is no peace, saith the Lord, unto the wicked.***



***Isaiah 57:20-21:***

***<sup>20</sup> But the wicked are like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt.***

***<sup>21</sup> There is no peace, saith my God, to the wicked.***

***Romans 5:1: Therefore being justified by faith we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.***

***Acts 10:36: The word which God sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ: (He is Lord of all:)***

***Proverbs 13:15: Good understanding giveth favour: but the way of transgressors is hard.***

***Psalms 38:4: For mine iniquities are gone over mine head: as an heavy burden they are too heavy for me.***

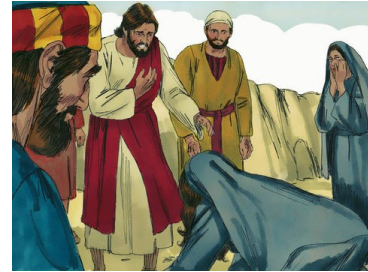
***Psalms 103:13–14:***

***<sup>13</sup> Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear im.***

***<sup>14</sup> For He knoweth our frame; He remembereth that we are dust.***

The Lord God manifested His love for us at Calvary. His concern for our deliverance from sin's bondage caused Him to send His Only Begotten Son into this world, to set us free from the bondage of our guilt and condemnation.

Take another look at the sepulcher of Lazarus. The Lord Jesus mingled His tears with those of Mary and Martha. Why did he wait? He knew their sorrows and He hurt along with them. Even though He knew he was going to raise up Lazarus from the grave, He is touched with the feelings of our sorrows and showed His compassion.



We need such as Savior and such a real Friend Who cares.

***1 Peter 5:7: Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.***

***Hebrews 4:15: For we have not an High Priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.***

Heartaches are already known to the Lord.

***Isaiah 63:9: In all their affliction He was afflicted, and the angel of His presence saved them: in His love and in His pity He redeemed them; and He bare them, and carried them all the days of old.***

Are you aware of the fact that this scripture has reference to the Lord our God?

***Psalms 103:17: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear Him, and His righteousness unto children's children;***

**GOD'S MERCY is LIMITLESS. also UNENDING.**

There is no last chapter in the mercy of our Lord.

**Questions:** How long does your mercy last? Do you ever give up on anyone?

***Psalms 103:20–22:***

***<sup>20</sup> Bless the LORD, ye His angels, that excel in strength, that do His Commandments, hearkening unto the voice of His Word.***

***<sup>21</sup> Bless ye the LORD, all ye His hosts; ye ministers of His, that do His pleasure.***

***<sup>22</sup> Bless the LORD, all His works in all places of His dominion: bless the LORD, O my soul.***

1. When the Psalmist appraiser got to working well, he becomes overwhelmed and overflowing with praise to the Lord. Then, his single voice does not seem to do justice to the necessary crescendo of praise which should go forth. Therefore, he now addresses the angels to get with it, and help him sing praises to the Lord.

Then, their volume of praise seems to need another added tone, like he was singing soprano, and he needed the angels to sing alto. And now the Lord's hosts he calls on to add the high tenor, and still that's not quite enough.

Now, it's beginning to sound much better, and now he finds the missing base singers and exhorts the ministers of God who do his pleasure to get into the group - singing to give it proper balance.

2. Genuine praise must come right from the heart to be effective before the Throne of Grace. It must well up from the depths of one's soul. Lip service praise is too tinsel-like and artificial. The whole heart and the whole congregation must get in on this act of worship to our most Worthy Lord and Master.



3. When coming forth from a heart filled with gratitude, it sounds beautiful. It blesses others. It also sets our souls on fire for God.

4. **Questions:**

- Has the freshness of your conversion experience lost its thrill and glow and glory?
- Have you forgotten the horrible pit from once you were dug?

I certainly hope not; but if so, then humility lets us get back to the altar and ask the Lord to renew our heart - to revive our soul. That He will bring you back to that First Love.

5. **Question:** Did you know the Bible teaches that we can forget that we were purged from our old sins?

***2 Peter 1:9: But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.***

6. Forgetfulness seems to be a common failure among Christians.

***Deuteronomy 4:9: Only take heed to thyself, and keep thy soul diligently, lest thou forget the things which thine eyes have seen, and lest they depart from thy heart all the days of thy life: but teach them thy sons, and thy sons' sons;***

***Deuteronomy 6:12: Then beware lest thou forget the Lord, Which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.***

***Deuteronomy 8:11: Beware that thou forget not the Lord thy God, in not keeping His Commandments, and His judgments, and His statutes, which I command thee this day:***

***Psalms 9:17: The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God.***

**Isaiah 17:10-11:**

**DON'T  
FORGET!**

***<sup>10</sup> Because thou hast forgotten the God of thy salvation, and hast not been mindful of the Rock of thy strength, therefore shalt thou plant pleasant plants, and shalt set it with strange slips:***

***<sup>11</sup> In the day shalt thou make thy plant to grow, and in the morning shalt thou make thy seed to flourish: but the harvest shall be***

***a heap in the day of grief and of desperate sorrow.***

**Isaiah 51:12–13:**

***<sup>12</sup> I, even I, am He that comforteth you: who art thou, that thou shouldest be afraid of a man that shall die, and of the son of man which shall be made as grass;***

***<sup>13</sup> And forgettest the Lord thy Maker, that hath stretched forth the heavens, and laid the foundations of the earth; and hast feared continually every day because of the fury of the oppressor, as if he were ready to destroy? and where is the fury of the oppressor?***

***Jeremiah 2:32: Can a maid forget her ornaments, or a bride her attire? yet My people have forgotten Me days without number.***

***Ezekiel 22:12: In thee have they taken gifts to shed blood; thou hast taken usury and increase, and thou hast greedily gained of thy neighbours by extortion, and hast forgotten Me, saith the Lord God.***

**Hebrews 12:5–6:**

***<sup>5</sup> And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him:***

***<sup>6</sup> For whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom He receiveth.***

***2 Peter 1:9: But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.***

***Psalms 103:2: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits:***

This is personalized thanksgiving. Take notice it is personally done. ***Bless the Lord O my soul.*** Wait not for the preacher or the minister to do it for me. Wait not for the choir or the congregation to do it for me. All such may do a very eloquent and skillful manner of Thanksgiving. They may be well-trained and practiced up, but they cannot take your place. In some places, it is all showmanship and not necessarily coming from the heart. I hope that is not the case in your sanctuary. When it comes from the heart, then it becomes a sweet smelling savor onto the Lord.

***Bless the Lord, O my soul,***

***and all that is within me.***

***Bless His Holy Name.***

Get that! - ***"All that is within me"***. Take it to heart.

**Question:** Do you remember these old songs:



1. Lyrics from *Rock of Ages*: Rock of ages cleft for "me" let "me" hide "myself" in Thee.
2. You know of course *The Rock is Christ*, don't you?
3. *Jesus Lover of My Soul*:  
lyrics – "Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to Thy bosom fly."

In some cases, it can be too self-centered; but in others it is personalized singing and coming from the heart to the Lord.

## **America, praise the Lord for this land!**

***Deuteronomy 11:11–12:***

***<sup>11</sup> But the land, whither ye go to possess it, is a land of hills and valleys, and drinketh water of the rain of heaven:***

***<sup>12</sup> A land which the Lord thy God careth for: the eyes of the Lord thy God are always upon it, from the beginning of the year even unto the end of the year.***

Many of us know that God gave this land to us, a good land. All other countries have had their crop failures, drought, famine, and pestilence. We have been blessed with an abundance. Industries of all kinds are flourishing within our borders. Accumulation of wealth has caused many to forget God, just like the Jewish people did during the Old Testament era.

***Deuteronomy 8:18: But thou shalt remember the Lord thy God: for it is He that giveth thee power to get wealth, that He may establish His Covenant which He sware unto thy fathers, as it is this day.***

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