

100 Days of Prayer

The Prayer of Thanksgiving- Day 2

Psalm 118:1

Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His faithful love endures forever.

Colossians 3:15-17

And let the peace that comes from Christ rule in your hearts. For as members of one body you are called to live in peace. And always be thankful.

Gratitude is enhanced when you go from knowing God to following God. As we open our hearts to Jesus, we begin to see the goodness around us, and we begin to experience the purpose of our being. It becomes more obvious of the gifts that God has given us and has placed in our lives.

I remember in my younger years of knowing God. Yes, I was thankful in many ways. But because I was living under my potential and not living in the purpose that God created me for, I limited myself. I limited the value of His creation. I limited the things that I could be thankful about and for.

Today, I have much gratitude for Him! I am thankful that He was patient with me and that He took me from knowing Him to following Him. I am grateful that the path of my old life changed to the path that God had planned for me before I was even born. I am thankful that everyday that I choose to grow in Him that I become even more thankful for the things God has surrounded me with.

Gratitude is enhanced, as we open our hearts to Him. As we become more and more thankful, it sparks in the lives of people all around us. It gives others the opportunity to be thankful to Him as well.

Today is an opportunity to open our hearts, so we can know Him at a deeper level. It is the day that we look beyond the craziness that is all around us and look to Him to see all the blessings.

God, we thank you for your unconditional love, for your patients with us and for always wanting the best for our lives. May we be people that will draw close to you. People that will make you a priority. God open our eyes to see the beauty that you have put all around us. You have given us so much. Let the weight around us not be our focus. Help us to keep our eyes on you and to keep our eyes on the things that matter to you. May our hearts and lives be an influence on others of your great Love. Amen

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