“A PSALM OF THANKSGIVING”
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TEXT:
Psalms 100 is a great text for Thanksgiving. Psalm 75:1 says, “Unto Thee, Oh God, do we give thanks…”

Abraham Lincoln proclaimed the last day of November as a day of thanksgiving. This was observed until 1939 when Franklin Roosevelt made the fourth Thursday in November as a day of thanksgiving. Congress made it official in 1941, and it has been the same since. While it is good to have an annual day of thanksgiving, every day is thanksgiving for the Christian. Our degree of gratitude determines our degree of service.

Here are seven things for which we should be thankful from the 100th Psalm.

1. Revelation Vs. 3 “…the LORD He is God…”
   His name is Jehovah, the great and mighty God.

2. Creation Vs. 3 “…It is He that hath made us…”
   This is an answer to the evolutionist, the critic, and the agnostic. Read Psalms 19:1-6 and 139:1-16

3. Manifestation Vs. 5 “For the Lord is good…”
   David, the Psalmist, could see the goodness of God everywhere. Psalms 23 say,”…goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life.”

4. Redemption Vs. 3 “…we are His people…”
   First by creation and then by redemption.

5. Restoration Vs. 3 “…the sheep of His pasture.”
   Psalms 23:3 “He restoreth my soul.”
   I am not a sheep without a shepherd.

6. Justification Vs. 5 “…His mercy is everlasting…”
   Once justified, always justified. His mercy never runs out.

7. Inspiration Vs. 5 “…and His Truth endureth to all generations.”
   John 17:17 says “Sanctify them through Thy Truth: Thy Word is Truth.” God’s Word is inspired.

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