

Thanksgiving Service Message

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<u>INTRODUCTION</u>: We have much to be thankful for right now. How often do you praise God for what He has given you? The Bible contains some great things that deserve our attention. The Scriptures are filled with things that should overflow our heart! Let's look at a few verses together...

DISCUSSION:

I. WE SHOULD BE THANKFUL THAT GOD IS ACTIVE (Psalm 75:1)

We give thanks to You, O God, we give thanks! For Your wondrous works declare that Your name is near.

II. WE SHOULD BE THANKFUL THAT GOD IS GOOD (Psalm 106:1)

Praise the LORD. Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; His love endures forever.

III. WE SHOULD BE THANKFUL THAT GOD IS LOVE (Psalm 107:8)

Let them give thanks to the LORD for His unfailing love and His wonderful deeds for men.

IV. WE SHOULD BE THANKFUL THAT GOD IS ATTENTIVE (Psalm 118:21)

I will give You thanks, for You answered me; You have become my salvation.

V. WE SHOULD BE THANKFUL THAT GOD IS JUST (Psalm 119:62)

At midnight I rise to give You thanks for Your righteous laws.

VI. WE SHOULD BE THANKFUL THAT GOD IS MERCIFUL (Psalm 136:1-3, 26)

Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.

Oh, give thanks to the God of gods! For His mercy endures forever.

Oh, give thanks to the Lord of lords! For His mercy endures forever:

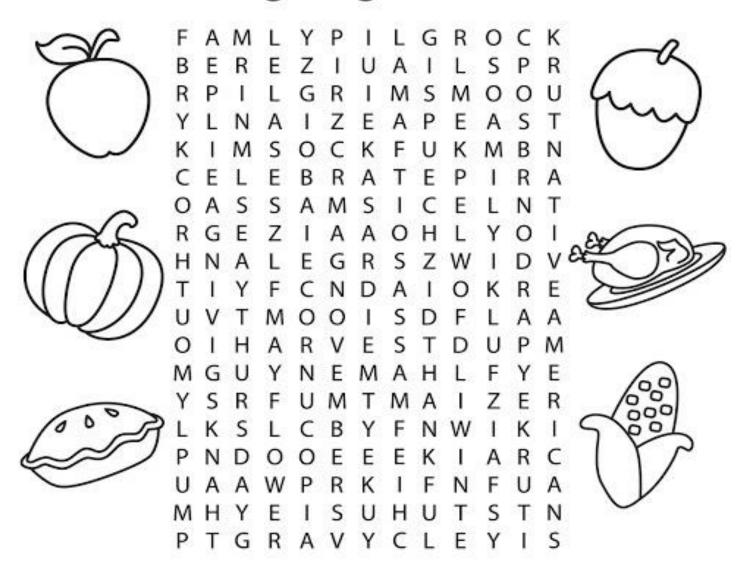
Oh, give thanks to the God of heaven! For His mercy endures forever.

VII. WE SHOULD BE THANKFUL THAT GOD IS NEAR (Psalm 145:18)

The LORD is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth.

<u>CONCLUSION</u>: The blessings we receive now are just a taste of what is to come. **Hebrews 12:28** says, "Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe." The apostle Paul calls the sacrifice of Jesus an "indescribable gift" (**II Corinthians 9:15**). How could we NOT give thanks to God? Take an opportunity this Thanksgiving to praise the Lord for your many blessings!

Thanksgiving Celebration



Feast Thanksgiving Cornucopia Wild Fowl November Celebrate Pumpkin Plymouth Rock Turkey Pardon Harvest **Pilgrims** Maize Native Americans Chief Massasoit Family Thankful Mayflower Thursday Corn Ham Gravy

I Thessalonians 5:18

In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.