

I. What is our motivation to give thanks to God?

A. We know that the Lord is the only true God

“And God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. You shall have no other gods before me.” (Exodus 20:1-3)

B. We know that the Lord is our creator

C. We know that the Lord calls us family

“How great is the love the Father has lavished on us that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!” (1 John 3:1)

D. We know that the Lord provides for us

“And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.” (Colossians 4:19)

E. We know that the Lord is good

“Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the man who takes refuge in him.” (Psalm 34:8)

F. We know that the Lord loves eternally

“The earth is full of his unfailing love.” (Psalm 33:5)

G. We know that the Lord is faithful forever

“Your faithfulness reaches to the skies.” (Psalm 108:4)

II. What are ways we can express our thanks to God?

A. We can raise our voices in a shout of joy

B. We can worship the Lord with gladness

“I will be glad and rejoice in you. I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.” (Psalm 9:2)

C. We can sing joyful songs to God

“Come let us sing for joy to the Lord.” (Psalm 95:1)

“Sing joyfully to the Lord, you righteous.” (Psalm 33:1)

“I will sing to the Lord all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.” (Psalm 104:33)

D. We can worship with thankful hearts

“I will praise God’s name in song and glorify him with thanksgiving.” (Psalm 69:30)

E. We can bless God with our praise

“But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his glorious light.” (1 Peter 2:9)

“Though the fig tree does not bud and there are no grapes on the vines; though the olive crop fails and the fields produce no food, though there are no sheep in the pen and no cattle in the stalls, yet I will rejoice in God my Savior.”
(Habakkuk 3:17-19)