

“Gratitude and Thanks”

Heb. 13:10-15

Introduction

- I. For all that God has done for us, He deserves our thanksgiving (Col. 3:15; 1 Thess. 5:18).
- II. Sadly, too many people are not thankful the way they should be (Rom. 1:21).

Discussion

- I. I am thankful that God decided to create.
 - A. The physical things were created for the benefit of man (Gen. 1:26-29).
 - B. God has made sure that in His creation, man had responsibilities (Gen. 2:15).
 - C. God's creation is beautiful, magnificent, and useful (Gen. 1:14-18; Psm. 19:1).
- II. I am thankful that God gave us the Bible.
 - A. Through the inspiration of The Holy Spirit, God has revealed His mind to us (2 Pet. 1:21; 1 Cor. 2:9-11).
 - B. Jesus has assured us that His Word will endure (Matt. 24:35).
- III. I am thankful that God has given us family and friends.
 - A. Husbands and wives (Titus 2:4; Prov. 18:22).
 - B. Children (Psm. 127:4-5).
 - C. Parents (Eph. 6:2).
 - D. True friends (Prov. 17:17; 27:6, 17; 3 John 14).
- IV. I am thankful that God has built His church.
 - A. The church was in God's plans before the creation (Eph. 3:10-11; cf. Matt. 16:18-19).
 - B. Being members of the church is a blessing (Rom. 12:4-5; 1 Cor. 12:12-26).
- V. I am thankful for my Lord.
 - A. Just consider all that Jesus has done for us (John 15:13; 10:17; 1 John 3:16; Rom. 5:6-8; 1 Pet. 2:21).
 - B. He is worthy of all the gratitude and thanksgiving that is due Him (Rev. 5:12).

Conclusion

- I. Let us remember the importance of demonstrating our thanksgiving.
- II. Gratitude should be shown more than just once a year, but every day!