

"That I may publish with the voice of thanksgiving, and tell of all thy wondrous works." Psalm 26:7 KJV

If would just stop and take the time to think about it, we could probably come up with hundreds of reasons for which to thank God. The very air we breathe is His handiwork. He even designed a perfect filtering system for the atmosphere, plants. They need our exhaled carbon dioxide to live. You want to reduce your "carbon footprint?" Plant trees! Think of the many things with which God has blessed your life, clothing, food, shelter, and be thankful! *"Having food and raiment, therewith be content."* Contentment is the outward manifestation of Divine peace. *"Great peace have they which love Thy Law and nothing shall offend them."* Wicked men are very markedly un-thankful! *"Because that, when they knew God, they glorified Him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened."* Consumed with greed and lust, they only seek the means to gratify their lusts. Atheists are bona-fide liars! God's Word confirms that they deny God, because they are unthankful and vain! The righteous man gives thanks for everything. Believers are instructed, *"In everything give thanks,"* and *"Be ye thankful."*



It's easy to be grateful if we just ponder the excruciating agony Jesus endured to rescue our souls from perdition. If this reason alone is not enough, add to that His daily provision and guardianship, family and friends, and the promise of eternal glory, and we have no excuse! Praise should be continually upon our lips to the Almighty! *"Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise: be thankful unto Him, and bless His Name. For the LORD is good; His mercy is everlasting; and His Truth endureth to all generations."* You can mark it down, the moment you start grumbling or feeling unthankful, you have come under satanic influence, and you need to flee it! The devil is a "roaring lion" searching for prey. Doubt and discouragement lead to discontentment and unthankfulness, which is why they are the devil's best tools. "Flee" by counting God's provision in your life. The easiest way to get discouraged is to compare your life to others' lives. The Word of God tells us, *"For we dare not make ourselves of the number, or compare ourselves with some that commend themselves: but they measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing themselves among themselves, are not wise."* Looking at circumstance will destroy your peace, steal your joy, and drown you in sorrow!

With thankful heart I give God praise,
With fervent thanks my voice I raise,
With all Creation homage pay,
Each and every passing day. ~CGP

To confess Christ is to pass a death sentence upon yourself in many parts of the world. Freedom of religion in the USA is, today, in serious jeopardy! We can always find something for which to be thankful. "Count your blessings; name the one by one; and it will surprise you what the Lord hath done."

"O LORD, Thou hast brought up my soul from the grave: Thou hast kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit. Sing unto the LORD, O ye saints of His, and give thanks at the remembrance of His Holiness. For His anger endureth but a moment; in His favour is life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning." Psalm 30:3-5 KJV