

Giving Thanks to the Lord *Psalm 34:1-10*



Give Thanks to the Lord

- **Psalm 107:1** - Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!
- **Philippians 2:3-4** - ³ Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. ⁴ Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

Come into His Presence With Thanksgiving

- **Psalm 95:1-3** - Oh come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
² Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
³ For the Lord is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.

You Are My Hiding Place

- **Psalm 32:7** - You *are* my hiding place;
You shall preserve me from trouble;
You shall surround me with songs of deliverance

I Will Bless the Lord

- **Psalm 34:1-3** - I will bless the Lord at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
² My soul makes its boast in the Lord;
let the humble hear and be glad.
³ Oh, magnify the Lord with me,
and let us exalt his name together! (NKJV)

Are Your Words a Blessing?

- Are you blessing the Lord with your words? – Are you encouraging others and setting the example of Christian character?
- **James 3:9-10** - ⁹ With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰ From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so.

Accountability of Your Words

- **Matthew 12:36-37** - ³⁶ I tell you, on the day of judgment people will give account for every careless word they speak, ³⁷ for by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned.”

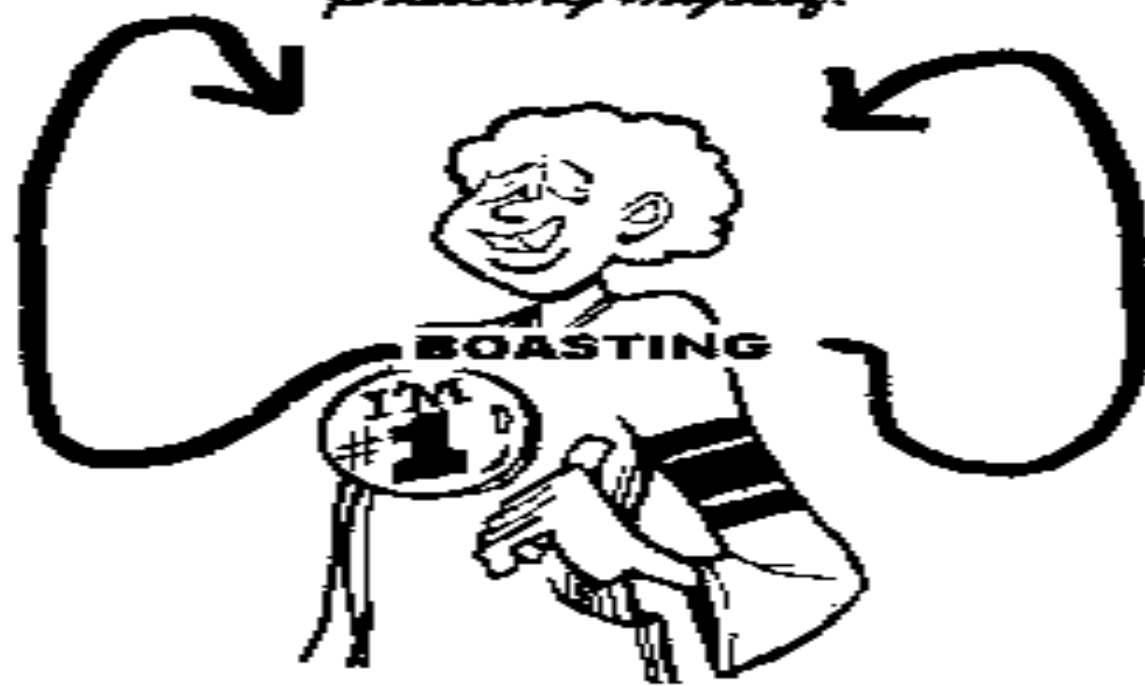
"Look at me!"

"Notice me and who I am!"

*"Pay attention to me and to what I
have done!"*

"How Great I Am!"

*"Won't you join me in
praising myself?"*



SELFISH PRIDE

Father



Son

**Holy
Spirit**

Psalm 44:8
Psalm 105:3
Isaiah 41:16
Jeremiah 4:2



GODWARD PRIDE

Boasting and Arrogance

- **James 4:13-16** - Come now, you who say, “Today or tomorrow we will go into such and such a town and spend a year there and trade and make a profit”— yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes. Instead you ought to say, “If the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that.” As it is, you boast in your arrogance. All such boasting is evil.

*"A humble person is not one who thinks little of himself, hangs his head and says, "I'm nothing." Rather, he is one who depends wholly on the Lord for everything, in every circumstance."
~ David Wilkerson*



Humility

- **Romans 12:16** - ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight.
- **Ephesians 4:29** - ²⁹ Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear.
- **James 4:10** - ¹⁰ Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up. (NKJV)

I Sought the Lord

- **Psalm 34:4-7** - I sought the Lord, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.
 - ⁵ Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed.
 - ⁶ This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him and saved him out of all his troubles.
 - ⁷ The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.

Refuge and Security

- Where are you looking for refuge and security?
- The World or Jesus?
- **Proverbs 11:28** - Whoever trusts in his riches will fall, but the righteous will flourish like a green leaf.
- **Psalm 118:8-9** - It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in man.
⁹ It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes.

Jesus – Calms Our Fears

- **John 16:33** - ³³ I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”

Angel of the Lord Encamps

- **Psalm 34:7** - The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.

Taste and See

- **Psalm 34:8-10** - Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good!
Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!
⁹ Oh, fear the Lord, you his saints,
for those who fear him have no lack!
¹⁰ The young lions suffer want and hunger;
but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.

Taste and See

- **Hebrews 6:4-6** - ⁴ For it is impossible, in the case of those who have once been enlightened, who have tasted the heavenly gift, and have shared in the Holy Spirit, ⁵ and have tasted the goodness of the word of God and the powers of the age to come, ⁶ and then have fallen away, to restore them again to repentance, since they are crucifying once again the Son of God to their own harm and holding him up to contempt.
- **1 Peter 2:2-3** - ² Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation— ³ if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.