



## “Worship with a Thankful Heart” (Psalm 95)

*James 1:8, “A double minded man is unstable in all his ways.”*

### I. THE WITNESS OF GOD’S PEOPLE (PSALM 107:2)

*Hebrews 13:15, “By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name.”*

#### A. WE WITNESS WITH SONG (PSALM 95:1)

*Revelation 5:9, “And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;”*

#### B. WE WITNESS WITH THANKSGIVING (PSALM 95:2, 100:4)

Giving testimony is bragging on Jesus Christ. Thankfulness is Thankfulness. We ought to meditate on the goodness of God towards us.

*Philippians 4:8, “Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.”*

*I Timothy 6:8, “And having food and raiment let us be therewith content.”*

#### C. WE WITNESS WITH DOCTRINE (PSALM 95:3)

### II. THE WORSHIP OF GOD’S PEOPLE (PSALM 95:6)

#### A. WE WORSHIP GOD IN OUR ATTITUDE

Why do we kneel in prayer? It’s a picture of the heart attitude. In kneeling we reverence our God as our Creator, our Maker. Here are some reasons to kneel:

##### 1. WE ARE SECURE IN OUR SAVIOR (PSALM 95:1)

*I Corinthians 10:4, “And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ.”*

*Romans 4:25, “Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification.”*

##### 2. WE ARE SECURE IN OUR KING (PSALM 95:3)

All the kingdoms of this world will one day become the kingdom of our Lord Jesus.

*I Timothy 1:17, “Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.”*

*Galatians 4:4, “But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law,”*

That phrase “fulness of time” means that God was right on time when He sent His Son the first time. That tells us that He will be right on time when He sends Him the second time as well.

##### 3. WE ARE SECURE IN OUR CREATOR (PSALM 95:4-5)

### B. WE WORSHIP GOD WITH OUR ACTIONS

##### 1. IN SONG (PSALM 95:1)

##### 2. IN SERVICE

*Hebrews 13:16, “But to do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.”*

##### 3. IN STEWARDSHIP (PSALM 116:12-14)

### III. THE WARNING TO GOD’S PEOPLE (PSALM 95:8-11)

#### A. A WARNING AGAINST A LOSS OF FAITH

There are many Americans today, just like those whom Moses led out of Egypt, who were supposed to be grateful and faithful to follow God’s plan into the Promised Land, but instead they began to nit-pick and complain and bicker and, because of ingratitude, did not enter into God’s plan for their lives.

*Hebrews 3:13, “But exhort one another daily, while it is called To day; lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.”*

*“We have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious Hand which preserved us in peace, and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us; and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own.” - Abraham Lincoln*

#### B. A WARNING AGAINST A LOSS OF GRATITUDE

*II Timothy 3:1-2, “<sup>1</sup> This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. <sup>2</sup> For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,”*

*II Corinthians 9:15, “Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift.”*