

A MINISTRY OF HEARTSWAY BAPTIST CHURCH

WEEK NINE | A HEART OF GRATITUDE

SATURDAY

The Sacrifice of Praise

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE (KJV)

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."

KEY TRUTH

Praise becomes a sacrifice when we offer it faithfully even when it costs us something.

GOOD MORNING!

Good morning! Praise comes easily when prayers are answered quickly and blessings are obvious. At other times, thanksgiving requires a deliberate offering of faith.

Hebrews calls praise a sacrifice and tells us to offer it continually through Jesus. Worship is not limited to a song, a service, or a comfortable season.

The fruit of our lips reveals what the heart is cultivating. Continual thanksgiving trains us to recognize God's worthiness even when our emotions are tired.

Offer praise today because God deserves it, not merely because you feel it. Speak His goodness aloud. Thank Him in the ordinary work of the day. A sacrifice of praise may cost effort, but it returns the heart to its proper center.

TAKE FIVE CHALLENGE

Take five intentional minutes today.

1. **Read Hebrews 13:15-16.**
2. **Speak five truths about God's character.**
3. **Praise before discussing your problems.**
4. **Spend five minutes worshiping aloud.**
5. **Turn gratitude into a generous action.**

SONG FOR THE JOURNEY



"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"
- Joachim Neander

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty."
Continual praise lifts our attention toward the Almighty, whose worth never changes with our circumstances.

SHARE THE BLESSING

Let praise become generosity. Meet one practical need as a thankful response to God's provision in your life.

PRAYER

Lord, You are worthy of continual praise. Receive the fruit of my lips and the service of my hands. When praise feels costly, help me offer it through Jesus with sincerity and faith. Let thanksgiving shape my words, worship, and generosity. Amen.

PASTOR MIKE'S THOUGHT

Praise is most powerful when it is offered because God is worthy, not merely because life is comfortable.

THE GOSPEL IN ONE VERSE

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

John 3:16 (KJV)

TOMORROW'S TAKE FIVE

Week Nine | Sunday | Abounding with Thanksgiving | Colossians 2:7 (KJV)

Walking with you in Christ,

Pastor Mike

Doing God's work, God's way, in Jesus' name!