

Shiloh Baptist Church
Sermon-Based Small Groups
Sunday, November 27th

A Thanksgiving Psalm
Psalm 111
(No Sermon on Nov. 20th)

Psalm 111 (*New Living Translation*)

- ¹ Praise the LORD! I will thank the LORD with all my heart as I meet with his godly people.
- ² How amazing are the deeds of the LORD! All who delight in him should ponder them.
- ³ Everything he does reveals his glory and majesty. His righteousness never fails.
- ⁴ He causes us to remember his wonderful works. How gracious and merciful is our LORD!
- ⁵ He gives food to those who fear him; he always remembers his covenant.
- ⁶ He has shown his great power to his people by giving them the lands of other nations.
- ⁷ All he does is just and good, and all his commandments are trustworthy.
- ⁸ They are forever true, to be obeyed faithfully and with integrity.
- ⁹ He has paid a full ransom for his people. He has guaranteed his covenant with them forever. What a holy, awe-inspiring name he has!
- ¹⁰ Fear of the LORD is the foundation of true wisdom. All who obey his commandments will grow in wisdom. Praise him forever!

MONDAY

Reflect on the testimonies from the service on Sunday, November 20th. (Visit www.shilohbaptist.net/media if you missed the service.) What testimony touched you, and why? What is the value of public testimonies?

Spend some time thinking about this quote from Max Lucado. “What if you woke up this morning and had only the things you thanked God for yesterday?”

TUESDAY

Reread Psalm 111. In your own words, what does it mean to be thankful? Does gratitude come naturally? How do you grow in gratitude?

Action Step: If possible, go online and listen to the song “Gratitude” by Brandon Lake.

WEDNESDAY - Public praise for God’s mighty works. V. 1-3

Read verses 1-3 and think about and prepare to discuss the necessity of public praise:

- A. Is our praise more often private than public?
- B. Public praise requires assembling with the body.

WEDNESDAY (CONTINUED)

C. Importance of Small Groups

D. Importance of our Words

- a. What are we talking about?
- b. What are we praising?
- c. How do we spend our time in small groups? How much time do we spend on idle words?

THURSDAY - The works of the Lord in redemption. V. 4-9

Think through what redemption means for you:

How did God demonstrate His grace in your life?

Do you remember what it was like when you were lost?

Consider: God gave you grace and mercy you did not deserve, and He withheld judgement that you did deserve.

Consider what you get in redemption; a covenant with Christ, an inheritance, provision, a path to follow, and a purpose.

Action Step: Spend a few minutes in a time of thanksgiving to God for His grace and mercy, and for your redemption. Consider sharing this time with your family.

FRIDAY - Our response to God's mighty acts. V. 10

What does it mean to you to fear the Lord?

What is or what should be our response to God's mighty acts in our lives?

If we don't praise God for what He has done, who gets the credit?

SATURDAY – Read back over your notes and catch up on any days you missed.

TEST:

Are we obeying God faithfully and with integrity? (vs. 8)

Are we practicing praise? (vs. 10)

LIFE IN ACTION: Prepare to share one thing that you can publicly praise God for, and then share it in your small group. (vs. 1)