



#96 HE IS OUR HEART-CHANGING PROVIDER

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MESSAGE/TAKEAWAYS:

The Lord, our **Heart-changing Provider**, transforms us as often as we express our grateful thankfulness for His bountiful provision.

Thanksgiving = THANKING GOD . . .

1. THANKING GOD IS ABOUT OUR HEART AND HIS WONDERS.

Psalm 9:1 I will give thanks to the Lord with all my heart; I will tell of all Your wonders.

☐ **Night skies; Warm family; His Unlimited grace & Unconditional Love**

2. THANKING GOD IS THE FRONT END OF WORSHIP. Psalm 100:4

Enter His gates with thanksgiving And His courts with praise.

☐ **Lead with C.A.R. & "Hero" ; Count blessings; Little things**

3. THANKING GOD SHOULD BE CONSTANT IN OUR PRAYERS. Philippians

4:6 Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

☐ **IN not FOR everything; Bigger/Longer/Eternal views; Beauty of Ashes**

4. THANKING GOD APPRECIATES HIS EVERLASTING KINDNESS.

Psalm 118:1 Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; For His lovingkindness is everlasting.

☐ **Big Scriptural theme/tour; "The Chosen" ; Hallmark movies**

5. THANKING GOD MAGNIFIES HIM IN OUR HEARTS. Psalm 69:30 I will

praise the name of God with song; And magnify Him with thanksgiving.

☐ **Generous Father or Stern taskmaster? As a man thinks in his heart...**

6. THANKING GOD SPAWNS SERVING AND GIVING. 2 Corinthians 9:12

For the ministry of this service is not only fully supplying the needs of the saints, but is also overflowing through many thanksgivings to God.

☐ **Giving vs. Getting at Christmas; Ralph's video to dad**

7. THANKING GOD AS A SACRIFICE HONORS HIM. Psalm 50:23 He who offers a sacrifice of thanksgiving honors Me; And to him who orders his way aright I shall show the salvation of God."

☐ **Utter act of Humility. Covenant ALL. Assets. Liabilities. Preferences.**

8. THANKING GOD HELPS US BE ALERT IN HEART. Colossians 4:2-3

Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with an attitude of thanksgiving; 3 praying at the same time for us as well, that God will open up to us a door for the word, so that we may speak forth the mystery of Christ.

☐ **Alert/Watchful/Attentive/Sensitive to whispers of God; Spirit wind!**

9. THANKING GOD FOR AUTHORITIES HAS A BIG IMPACT.

1 Timothy 2:1 First of all, then, I urge that entreaties and prayers, petitions and thanksgivings, be made on behalf of all men for kings and all who are in authority, so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity.

☐ **Global/National/Cultural chaos; Leader gap; Thankful IN, not For it.**

10. THANKING GOD CAN INCLUDE LEADERS AND OTHERS.

Nehemiah 12:46 For in the days of David and Asaph, in ancient times, there were leaders of the singers, songs of praise and hymns of thanksgiving to God. ☐ **Corporate Thanksgiving/Prayer/Worship**

11. THANKING GOD WITH THROGS IS FESTIVE. Psalm 42:4 For I used

to go along with the throng and lead them in procession to the house of God, With the voice of joy and thanksgiving, a multitude keeping festival. ☐ **Thanksgiving & Christmas should be FESTIVE!**

12. THANKING GOD WITH ANGELS IS OUR ETERNAL DESTINY.

Revelation 7:11-13 And all the angels were standing around the throne ... and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying, "Amen, blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might, be to our God forever and ever. Amen." ☐ **Preview of Eternity in the Presence of God**