



Learning to Love Living Righteous: Thankful – Part III

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Psalm 11:7 (Amplified Bible)

7For the Lord is [rigidly] righteous, He loves righteous deeds; the upright shall behold His face, or He beholds the upright.

Psalm 11:7 (The Message)

7 God's business is putting things right; he loves getting the lines straight, Setting us straight. Once we're standing tall, we can look him straight in the eye.
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What is the problem?

Proverbs 14:12 (Amplified Bible)

12There is a way which seems right to a man and appears straight before him, but at the end of it is the way of death.

1 Timothy 4:1 (The Message)

1The Spirit makes it clear that as time goes on, some are going to give up on the faith and chase after demonic illusions put forth by professional liars. These liars have lied so well and for so long that they've lost their capacity for truth.

What is right?

Matthew 5:6 (Amplified Bible)

6Blessed and fortunate and happy and spiritually prosperous (in that state in which the born-again child of God enjoys His favor and salvation) are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness (uprightness and right standing with God), for they shall be completely satisfied!

Matthew 6:33 (Amplified Bible)

33But seek (aim at and strive after) first of all His kingdom and His righteousness (His way of doing and being right), and then all these things taken together will be given you besides.
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Proactive: I thank God before the manifestation.

Praise: I give Him the glory by faith not by feelings!

Power: His super on my natural.

Promotion: I expect it!

Process: I stay righteous because it works!

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John 11:41-43 (Amplified Bible)

41So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up His eyes and said, Father, I thank You that You have heard Me.42Yes, I know You always hear and listen to Me, but I have said this on account of and for the benefit of the people standing around, so that they may believe that You did send Me [that You have made Me Your Messenger].43When He had said this, He shouted with a loud voice, Lazarus, come out!

John 11:41-43 (Contemporary English Version)

41After the stone had been rolled aside, Jesus looked up toward heaven and prayed, "Father, I thank you for answering my prayer. 42I know that you always answer my prayers. But I said this, so that the people here would believe that you sent me." 43When Jesus had finished praying, he shouted, "Lazarus, come out!"

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John 6:11 (New Living Translation)

11 Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks to God, and distributed them to the people. Afterward he did the same with the fish. And they all ate as much as they wanted.

Without gratitude comes an attitude.

John 6:11 (The Message)

10-11Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." There was a nice carpet of green grass in this place. They sat down, about five thousand of them. Then Jesus took the bread and, having given thanks, gave it to those who were seated. He did the same with the fish. All ate as much as they wanted.



- **God says thankfulness is good for the soul.**
- **The Bible teaches that a thankful attitude joins heaven and earth; whereas, an ungrateful attitude keeps heaven and earth, the spiritual and the material, separate.**

1 Thessalonians 5:18 (Amplified Bible)

18 Thank [God] in everything [no matter what the circumstances may be, be thankful and give thanks], for this is the will of God for you [who are] in Christ Jesus [the Revealer and Mediator of that will].

- **I thank God because He made me righteous**

2 Corinthians 5:21 (Amplified Bible)

21 For our sake He made Christ [virtually] to be sin Who knew no sin, so that in and through Him we might become [endued with, viewed as being in, and examples of] the righteousness of God [what we ought to be, approved and acceptable and in right relationship with Him, by His goodness].

Romans 4:5 (New Living Translation)

5 But people are counted as righteous, not because of their work, but because of their faith in God who forgives sinners.

Romans 3:21-24 (Amplified Bible)

21 But now the righteousness of God has been revealed independently and altogether apart from the Law, although actually it is attested by the Law and the Prophets, 22 Namely, the righteousness of God which comes by believing with personal trust and confident reliance on Jesus Christ (the Messiah). [And it is meant] for all who believe. For there is no distinction, 23 Since all have sinned and are falling short of the honor and glory which God bestows and receives. 24 [All] are justified and made upright and in right standing with God, freely and gratuitously by His grace (His unmerited favor and mercy), through the redemption which is [provided] in Christ Jesus,

- **Most people just acknowledge Jesus, they don't receive or believe Him!**
- **All it takes is to believe and receive by faith.**
- **I don't deserve it, but I got it, and I am not giving up, giving in, or giving it back! I am Thankful!**