## The Power Of Thanksgiving

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"Have faith in God," Jesus answered. "Truly I tell you, if anyone says to this mountain, 'Go, throw yourself into the sea,' and does not doubt in their heart but believes that what they say will happen, it will be done for them. Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours."

Mark 11:22-24

Sacrifice thank offerings to God, fulfill your vows to the Most High, and call on me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will honor me...

Those who sacrifice thank offerings honor me.

Psalm 50:14,23

Thank Offering (Leviticus 3:1-5, 7:12-15)

- 1) Perfect sheep or goat (Jesus)
- 2) Unleavened bread with oil (Trinity)
- 3) Bread with leaven (Us)

Through Jesus, then, let us <u>continually</u> offer up a <u>sacrifice of</u> <u>praise</u> to God, that is, the fruit of lips that <u>give thanks</u> to His name. Hebrews 13:15(NAS)

By faith the walls of Jericho fell after the people had marched around them for seven days.

Hebrews 11:30

## REASONS FOR CONTINUAL PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

1. \_\_\_\_\_ is watching

The crowd joined in the attack against Paul and Silas, and the magistrates ordered them to be stripped and beaten with rods. After they had been severely flogged, they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was commanded to guard them carefully. When he

received these orders, he put them in the inner cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

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Acts 16:22-26

2. \_\_\_\_\_ is watching

Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith...

I Peter 5:8-9

3. \_\_\_\_\_ is watching

For the eyes of the LORD range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him.

2 Chronicles 16:9

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everyone's chains came loose.

Acts 16:26-27