

Giving Thanks
Psalm 111

Review:

1. We are thankful for God's works in Creation
2. We are thankful for God keeping His covenant to redeem His people
3. We are thankful for God's Word which is always true and trustworthy
4. We respond to God's works and Word with awe and wonder, with worship and service

Go Further: Read Psalm 33

1. According to verse 1, what two things should people do who are righteous in God's sight?
2. How does the psalmist describe our songs of praise to God in verses 2 and 3?
3. What four reasons does the psalmist give us for praising God in verses 4 and 5?
4. How does verse 6 describe the way God created the heavens?
5. How does verse 7 describe the way God made the seas?
6. What does the psalmist command everyone in the world to do in verse 8? What reason does he give for this action in verse 9?
7. What does verse 10 tell us that God does to the plans that different nations make?
8. How does verse 11 explain that God's plans are different from the ones that people make?
9. Who does verse 12 say is truly blessed and why?
10. What do verses 13 and 14 tell us that God sees?
11. What does verse 15 say that God has done for every one of us?
12. According to verses 16 and 17, what things have no power to save anyone?
13. On what kinds of people does verse 18 say God has set His eye?
14. What does God promise to do for His people in verse 19?
15. What reason does verse 20 give us for waiting for the Lord?
16. Why does verse 21 say we can rejoice in the Lord?
17. What does the psalmist ask the Lord to do in verse 22? What does He promise to do in response?

Apply:

1. What does God's creation reveal to you about God? What is your response when you think about the world He has made?
2. Knowing that God's plans are better and more lasting than our own, how do you need to change the way you make decisions?
3. How do you feel about the fact that that God sees everyone all the time? How should this change your daily way of living?
4. Verses 16 and 17 point out how foolish it is for kings to put their trust in their armies. Have you ever trusted in someone or something that let you down? How has that experience affected the sort of trust you place in God?
5. As the psalmist did in verse 20, think about a time when you had to wait for God to help you or bless you. How did that experience affect your faith?