A Psalm of Thanksgiving and Praise Psalm 100

Intro: The title of this much beloved psalm (or *song*) suggests that it was "for giving thanks to the LORD." It was used in worship services in the temple. The psalmist calls upon the congregation to serve the LORD with *thanksgiving* and *praise* because He is the Creator, and because He has made us to continually offer up *joyful praises to Him!*

I. Serve the LORD with Joyful Singing vv. 1-3

- A. *Three commands:* (vv. 1-2)
 - 1. Shout joyfully to the LORD, all the earth (v. 1)
 - 2. Serve the LORD with gladness (v. 2a)
 - 3. Come before Him with joyful singing (v. 2b)
- B. *Three reason:* (v. 3)
 - 1. The LORD Himself (alone) is God (v. 3a)
 - 2. God has made us, and not we ourselves (v. 3b)
 - 3. We are His people, and the sheep of His pasture (v. 3c)

II. Serve the LORD with Thanksgiving and Praise vv. 4-5

- A. Three commands: (v. 4)
 - 1. Enter His gates with *thanksgiving*, and His courts with *praise*;
 - 2. Give *thanks* to Him, and
 - 3. *Praise* or *bless* His name.
- B. *Three reasons*: (v. 5)
 - 1. For the LORD is good;
 - 2. His lovingkindness is everlasting;
 - 3. His faithfulness endures to all generations.



Applications:

- 1. Proper thanks to God entails joyful singing and praise for all that He has done for me!
- 2. May we each strive to serve our Lord Jesus with much gladness and sincerity of heart.
- 3.

Celebrating the LORD's Table 1 Corinthians 11:17-22

Purposes and Features as set forth by Paul:

- 1. It is to Express the Christian Communities' Relationship of Christian Unity (11:17-22)
- 2. It is to be done as A Remembrance of Jesus' Person and Work (11:23-25)
- 3. It is to serve as An Affirmation of Jesus Christ's first and second comings (11:26)
- 4. It contains Serious Restrictions and Perils (11:27-34)