



Sermon Discussion Guide

11.17.24 Message | Tyler Myers | 1 Chronicles 16:8-18

Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples! Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wondrous works! Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice! Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually! Remember the wondrous works that he has done, his miracles and the judgments he uttered, O offspring of Israel his servant, children of Jacob, his chosen ones! He is the Lord our God; his judgments are in all the earth. Remember his covenant forever, the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations, the covenant that he made with Abraham, his sworn promise to Isaac, which he confirmed to Jacob as a statute, to Israel as an everlasting covenant, saying, "To you I will give the land of Canaan, as your portion for an inheritance."

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Message Highlights

- Gratitude transforms us from the inside out and aligns our lives with Heaven's perspective.
- If we truly have gratitude, our lives will show it through praise and action.
- Worship is a declaration of gratitude for all the wondrous and redemptive works God has done, is doing and will continue to do.

Rethink Christmas

This section challenges us to rethink how we express gratitude through generosity this Christmas.

God commands his people to make sure the next generation knows the gospel so they can experience the life-changing hope of Jesus, the Saving King. While we do this year-round, our summer ministry experiences are a catalyst for students to taste and see God's goodness. Through your support, we can provide scholarships for students to participate in these transformative opportunities. Let's rethink how we use our resources this Christmas to ensure that students have access to these life-changing experiences.

Challenge: Consider one area in your life where you can go above and beyond in response to God's blessings. What step of faith can you take this week to invest more intentionally in God's work?

Conversation Starter

What's a song or phrase of worship that has stuck with you recently? Why do you think it resonates with you?



Discuss the Message

- Tyler said, “If we truly have gratitude, our lives will show it.” What does that look like in your daily routine? How has this statement made you rethink how you show gratitude daily?
- The message emphasized that gratitude transforms us. What is one area of your life that needs to be transformed by gratitude?
- We can offer our time, energy, money and influence as acts of praise. What holds you back from living this out fully? What are some simple steps you can take to begin living this kind of lifestyle?

Think Deeper (Does your group understand the passage?)

- In verse 11, we’re told to “Seek the Lord and his strength.” What does it mean to seek God continually, and how does this connect to gratitude?
- Verse 12 encourages us to “Remember the wondrous works” of God. How does intentional reflection on his works change our perspective in challenging times?
- We’re told to “Declare his glory among the nations” (v. 24). What creative ways can we live out this call to share God’s greatness with others?
- Verse 28 says to “Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.” How do our lives reflect that we believe God is worthy of praise?
- The song in 1 Chronicles 16 celebrates God’s covenant faithfulness. How can gratitude be a response to his promises in your life?

Think Life Change (Does your group recognize the personal implications for them as individuals?)

- How can you intentionally express gratitude through rejoicing this week in a way that impacts your relationships?
- What’s one specific action you can take to show your gratitude through rejoicing toward God this week?

Think Engage (Does your group know how to apply the challenge?)

- How can your gratitude be evident to those around you this week?
- What is one way you can use your resources—time, energy, money and influence—to reflect gratitude in your community?
- How does gratitude inspire you to serve others in your circle of influence?
- In what ways can you encourage someone else to experience God’s goodness this week?
- How can your gratitude lead to meaningful conversations about faith with others?

Think Kingdom (Does your group understand the overarching Kingdom, that the work we do is bigger than ourselves?)

- How does learning to rejoice in all circumstances help us see life from a Kingdom perspective?
- What role does gratitude play in building a legacy of faith for the next generation?