## THINK ON THESE THINGS (Philippians 4:8)

# Be Thankful

AM Sermon: Joe Murdock

## OUR FAMILY NEWS

**Pray:** Eddie 4 and Amelia, Deb Betti, the Morigeau family, Josiah, Helen Spicer, Emily Hatley, Bill and Peggy.

**Traveling/Working:** Tina Crawford, Steve and Abby traveling beginning tomorrow. Eddie and Susan (Dec 2-12)

**Radio Programs:** Listen to "Searching the scriptures", our weekly radio program on KMBQ 99.7 Sunday mornings beginning at 9:00 AM.

Today's Scripture: "<sup>15</sup> And let the peace of God rule in your

hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be

ye thankful." Colossians 3:15 (KJV 1900)

**Wisdom for Today:** "<sup>4</sup> Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, *And* into his courts with praise: Be thankful unto him, and bless his name. <sup>5</sup> For the LORD *is* good; his mercy *is* everlasting; And his truth *endureth* to all generations." Psalm 100:4–5 (KJV 1900)

#### PM Sermon: Bill Beebe

Attendance Last Sunday -For more information check our website at www.churchofchristwasilla.com

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God's Plan of Salvation

Hear	Romans 10:17
Believe	Mark 16:16, Hebrews 11:1-6
Repent	Acts 2:38, II Corinthians 7:10
Confess	. Romans 10:9-10, Matthew 10:32-33
Be Baptized	Mark 16:16, Acts 22:16
Remain Faithful	Matt 24:13; Rev 2:10; James 1:12

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth..."

## CONTACT INFORMATION

MEETING TIMES	COME JOIN US!
Sunday: Bible Classes: 10AM	The church of Christ at Wasilla meets at:
AM Worship: 11AM PM Worship: 5PM <u>Wednesday:</u> Bible Study: 7PM	2061 N. Merciful Circle Wasilla, AK 99654 (907) 373-5773
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Visitors Always Welcome; Members Expected

## "I was glad when they said unto me, Let us

Be Thankful By Joe Murdock

During this time of the year it is easy to get caught up in the moment. Thinking about all the things that need to get done before the year ends can become overwhelming. We are busy with work, kids and school, family plans and so on. Sometimes it seems like we can never get out of our own way. However is this how God wants our lives to be? The answer is simply no. Instead God would have us to focus on the spiritual things. Why? Because it produces an attitude of thankfulness. Something that might be lacking in our society, country and maybe even in our own homes. How often is a door held open and nothing is said. Now we don't do those things expecting a pat on the back but there seems to be a bigger problem. And that is people have made themselves so busy that even stopping for a second to "say thank you" is going far beyond what should be expected. So as we continue throughout this time let us consider some passages on thankfulness and see are we thankful.

Colossians 3:12-17 NKJV "Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do. But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him."

Here we see a wonderful reason to stop and be thankful. That is we have the peace of God in our hearts. But that peace must rule in our hearts. When we allow other things to come into our lives peace begins to disappear. And our thankfulness diminishes. However when we allow God to rule in our hearts, recognizing that we are in the body of Chris, thankfulness illuminates our lives. From here, we see that we can rejoice and be thankful. Thankful for the word, thankful for the church and thankful for salvation!

Philippians 2:14-16 NKJV "Do all things without complaining and disputing, that you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, holding fast the word of life, so that I may rejoice in the day of Christ that I have not run in vain or labored in vain."

go into the house of the Lord." Psalm 122:1

complete word which produces an everlasting life? What about the church are you thankful for the blood brought church?

# Acts 20:28 NKJV "Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood."

Jesus laid down His life so that we could be covered by His blood and be redeemed. This is a great blessing that must not be forgotten at any point. Being thankful for the church helps us think about the sacrifice that was made on our behalf. What a Savior we serve, cherish and are thankful for. Finally what about salvation. Family are you thankful for the salvation that is found in the Word and in the body of Christ?

II Timothy 4:6-8 NKJV "For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing."



There is a crown for the faithful who are fighting the good fight and all is made possible by the one full of grace and truth. That is Christ. Friends are you to busy to be thankful? Please stop and consider what the word of God says and make time to be thankful. Thankful for having the complete word, an amazing Savior and an eternal salvation.

### Schedule of Events

Men's Meeting December 12, 2021 immediately following AM services. This is an important meeting and all the men are encouraged to attend.

Thankful for the word of life! Do you rejoice in that fact knowing we have the