

23 Nov 2014: Preached by Preacher Clement Chew

Topic: **The Christian's Thanksgiving**

Scripture Text: Psalm 100

1. Psalm 100 is a Psalm of Praise or Thanksgiving. In v1-2, we have the call to thanksgiving. Thanksgiving is always to the LORD – He is the true and living God. It is never to any other “gods”. Thanksgiving is to be shown by all people on earth, not just the children of Israel.

2. We are to make a joyful noise in our thanksgiving i.e. to thank God with cheerful exuberance. We are to express our thanksgiving by serving the Lord. This service is like a born slave willing and cheerfully wanting to serve the Master even though he can be released. We are to sing unto the Lord in thanksgiving, This is the reason why we worship the Lord with singing of hymns.

3. In v3-5, we have the basis of thanksgiving to the Lord:

(a) He is God. We must know with experiential knowledge that He is the eternal God who is omniscience, omnipresent and omnipotent.

(b) He is our Maker. We didn't make ourselves. God is the One who gives us life.

(c) He is our Shepherd. God leads, protects and feeds us as His sheep.

(d) He is good and merciful. Salvation comes from God.

(e) His Word endures forever. God gave us His Word that is perfect and will not fail.