



PRAYER  
TIME

Psalms  
91:1-11  
God is Your  
Security

LET'S  
PRAY

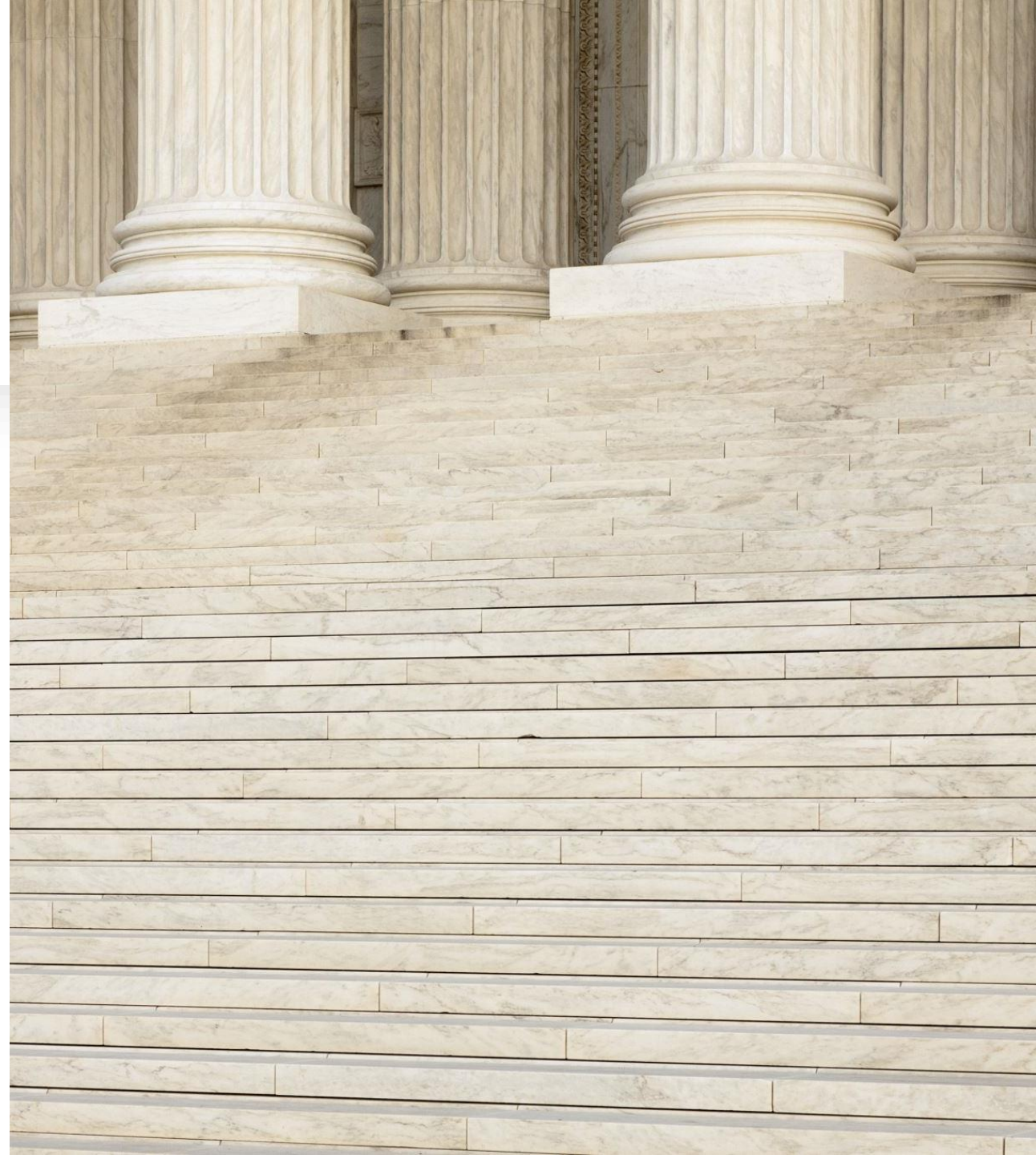
MY REDEEMER  
LIVES  
BAPTIST CHURCH

Praying Like Jesus  
Study 6:  
“Jesus offered  
Thanks”  
Matthew 11:25



# JESUS OFFERED THANKS

Jesus gave thanks when he prayed (Read Matt. 11:25-26). He set for us a model that we should follow. To fail to give thanks reflects on the condition of our relationship with God. If we are not thanking God, we are probably unaware of God's merciful and generous provision.



# JESUS OFFERED THANKS CONT.

How often do we forget the gracious hand of God and his bountiful blessings on our lives. Let's stop for a moment and consider the blessings of God:

- Born in America
- Finest medical care in the world
- Freedom to worship
- Wealth
- Family blessings
- Friends
- Church
- Job
- Health
- Home
- Spiritual
- Etc.



# JESUS OFFERED THANKS CONT.

We should always be thankful and express thanks to God for each of those blessings and more.

Why give thanks? It is only good manners to return thanks for a kindness done to us, it is courtesy, politeness, acceptable behavior for those who have been the recipients of favor and kindness and blessings.

We as followers of Christ should always follow his teaching as it pertains to our character.

How is your character as it pertains to your Christian walk?





# JESUS OFFERED THANKS

Thanksgiving is essential to prayer, since all that we are, all that we have and all that we receive comes from our gracious God. Consider these verses:

- Psalms 50:14
- Philippians 4:6
- Colossians 4:2
- Psalms 92:1; Psalms 106:1; 107:1; 118:1



# CONCLUSION

Jesus has modeled a lifestyle of thanksgiving; we are commanded to give thanks, but we have a propensity to forget God's goodness in our lives. (Read Luke 17:11-19). In a village north of Jerusalem Jesus healed ten lepers, but only one returned to give thanks (Read Luke 17:15-16).

Jesus affirms him even as he confronts the thanklessness of the others (Read Luke 17:17-18). Jesus gave thanks when he prayed and considered it a normal response to a loving God who answers our request. Let's not forget our manners. Let's give thanks to a good, merciful, and kind God!!!



# HOMework

## SCRIPTURE / MEMORIZATION

LAST WEEK

Psalms 27:1

“The Lord is my light and my salvation whom, shall I fear; the Lord is the strength of my life, whom shall I be afraid.”

Psalms 145:1

“I will exalt You, my God, the King. And I will bless your name forever and ever.”



A stack of smooth, light-colored stones on a bed of sand. The stones are stacked in a slightly irregular, balanced manner, with the top stone being the smallest and the bottom stone being the largest. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

# NEXT WEEK

“Praying Like Jesus”

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Jesus sang some

Prayers

Mark 14:26, Matt.

26:30