# Are You Thankful?

Psalm 100 November 24, 2024 Bob Hightchew

#### **Introduction:**

- Psalm 100
- "Count Your Blessings" Written by Johnson Oatman Jr., 1897
- "Praise You in this Storm" Casting Crowns, 2005
- The Pilgrims Had nothing, but had it all.
- Declaration of Independence "We hold these truths to be self-evident..."
- "Public Proclamation" President George Washington, 1789
- The Basis for Our Thanksgiving:
  - o The Psalm addresses "All the earth" ... "All generations"
  - o Matthew 6:19-21
  - o Matthew 6:24
  - o Matthew 6:28-34
  - o 1<sup>st</sup> John 2:14-17
- The only reliable and certain thing in our life:
  - o **Psalm 100:1-3** The Lord who is good.
- **Psalm 100** Five Thanksgiving Imperatives:

#### 1. First Imperative – Shout for joy to the Lord:

a. Hebrew – <u>Hariu</u> ... (Hari-Ew) ... English – <u>Shout</u> ... "To "shout with the force of a trumpet blast" ... a shout of joy to the Lord that comes from the very depths of your being ... with every ounce of energy that you have."

### 2. <u>Second Imperative – Serve the Lord with gladness:</u>

- a. Two easy ways to serve:
  - i. Serve at South Fork –
  - ii. Live out your Faith –
- b. Romans 1:16
- c. Matthew 25:40



## 3. Third Imperative – Come before Him with joyful songs:

- a. What God is saying in the first three verses in simpler terms:
  - i. "I want you to have peace ... Shout with joy ... Remember who has helped you ... And serve me with gladness ... Praise and honor ... Come before me with joyful songs."
- 4. Forth Imperative Know that the Lord is God:
  - a. Philippians 2:5-11
- 5. <u>Fifth Imperative Enter His gates with Thanksgiving:</u>
  - a. I have a concern:
    - i. What if God ...

