

# GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD





# THANKFUL FOR THE PRESENT

“EVERY GOOD AND PERFECT GIFT IS  
FROM ABOVE” (JAS 1.17)

“We ought always to thank God for you, brothers, and rightly so, because your faith is growing more and more, and the love every one of you has for each other is increasing. Therefore, among God’s churches we boast about your perseverance and faith in all the persecutions and trials you are enduring”  
(2 Ths 1.3–4).





WHEN DO WE  
GIVE THANKS?  
(NEH 12.27-43)





# THANKS FOR THE PAST (PSA 136)



## LUKE 1:41-45

“Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting, the baby leaped inside her, and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. Then she exclaimed with a loud cry, “Blessed are you among women, and your child will be blessed! How could this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For you see, when the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the baby leaped for joy inside me. Blessed is she who has believed that the Lord would fulfill what he has spoken to her!”



WHEN DO WE  
GIVE THANKS?  
(COL 3.15-17)





# THANKFULNESS FOR THE FUTURE

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!

Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus (Phil 4.4–7; cf. Psa 103.1–4; Heb 12.26–28).