



"GIVE THANKS WITH PRAISE"

END OF THE YEAR REVIEW

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GOD'S PURPOSE FOR GBC

THE END OF THE YEAR REVIEW IS OUR **EXPRESSION OF THANKSGIVING** FOR GOD'S BLESSINGS ON THE **LIFE AND WORK** OF GRACE BIBLE CHURCH AND FOR THE TREASURE OF HIS **PRESENCE AND FAVOR**.

The purpose for the end of the year review is to...

1. ... _____ the Lord's goodness by giving thanks.

*1 Oh, **give thanks to the LORD**, for [He is] good! For His mercy [endures] forever. 2 Let the redeemed of the LORD say [so], Whom He has redeemed from the hand of the enemy, ... 8 Oh, that [men] would give thanks to the LORD [for] His goodness, And [for] His wonderful works to the children of men! [Psa 107:1-2, 8 NKJV]*

2. ... _____ in our faith in the Lord.

*"For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is **the victory that has overcome the world**--our faith." - 1Jo 5:4 NASB*

3. ... _____ the weary.

*58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that **your labor is not in vain** in the Lord. [1Cr 15:58 NKJV]*

"Let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we will reap if we do not grow weary." - Gal 6:9 NASB

ILL. Brother Graves - pointing his crooked finger - "I'm praying for you son."

3. ... _____ our labors properly.

*16 Therefore we do not lose heart, but though our outer man is decaying, yet our inner man is being renewed day by day. 17 For momentary, light affliction is producing for us an **eternal weight of glory** far beyond all comparison, 18 while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal. [2Cr 4:16-18 NASB]*

4. ... _____ fruitful service.

*24 and let us consider how to **stimulate one another to love and good deeds**, 25 not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near. [Hbr 10:24-25 NASB]*

5. ... _____ our effectiveness.

*1 Let a man regard us in this manner, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God. 2 In this case, moreover, it is required of stewards that one **be found trustworthy**. 3 But to me it is a very small thing that I may be examined by you, or by any human court; in fact, I do not even examine myself. 4 For I am conscious of nothing against myself, yet I am not by this acquitted; but the one who examines me is*

the Lord. 5 Therefore do not go on passing judgment before the time, but wait until the Lord comes who will both bring to light the things hidden in the darkness and disclose the motives of men's hearts; and then each man's praise will come to him from God. [1Cr 4:1-5 NASB]

6. ... _____ **the fundamentals.**

28 We proclaim Him, admonishing every man and teaching every man with all wisdom, so that we may present every man complete in Christ. [Col 1:28 NASB]

11 And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, 12 for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ; 13 until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ. [Eph 4:11-13 NASB]

7. ... _____ **to our Lord...**

1) **...for _____ things.**

"in everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." - 1Th 5:18 NASB

"But he said to her, "You speak as one of the foolish women speaks. **Shall we** indeed accept good from God and **not accept adversity?**" In all this Job did not sin with his lips." - Job 2:10 NASB

"**We ought always to give thanks to God for you**, brethren, as is [only] fitting, because your faith is greatly enlarged, and the love of each one of you toward one another grows [ever] greater;" - 2Th 1:3 NASB

2) **...for His magnified _____.**

"I will bow down toward Your holy temple And give thanks to Your name for Your lovingkindness and Your truth; For **You have magnified Your word** according to all Your name." - Psa 138:2 NASB

3) **...with the sacrifice of _____.**

"Through Him then, let us continually **offer up a sacrifice of praise** to God, that is, the fruit of lips that give thanks to His name." - Heb 13:15 NASB

"Therefore I will give thanks to You, O LORD, **among the nations**, And **I will sing praises to Your name.**" - 2Sa 22:50 NASB

"**Give thanks** to the LORD **with the lyre**; **Sing praises** to Him **with a harp** of ten strings." - Psa 33:2 NASB