INTRODUCTION

"Ten" had a horrible disease and cried for mercy; "one" returned to give thanks' "nine" were nearer to Jesus in their affliction than in their health.

(2 Timothy 3:1-5) places "unthankful" in an ugly list.

COUNT YOUR MANY BLESSINGS AND GIVE THANKS

1. (Psalm 92:1-2) "It is good to give thanks to the Lord ... "

"Is good" - to conform to a high standard; honorable; proper; becoming. The verse continues: "to sing praises ... to declare ... "

2. (Psalm 30:4) " ... and give thanks at the remembrance of His holy name"

(Psalm 111:9) " ... holy and awesome is His name" (Matthew 6:9) "hallowed by Your name"

3. (Psalm 119:62) "At midnight I will rise to give thanks to You ... "

"At midnight" - yes, when times are dark and we cannot see our way out; in adversity. (Romans 8:28) "And we know that all things work for good ... "

4. (1 Corinthians 15:57) "Thanks be to God, Who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ"

We have "victory" and hope because of Jesus' resurrection from the grave. (1 Corinthians 15:12-20) Paul says our victory is gone (v14) "if Christ is not risen"

5. (1 Thessalonians 5:18) "In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you"

(Ephesians 5:20) "Give thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."

No matter what the situation, there's a cause for thanksgiving.

The Hiding Place by Corrie ten Boom: Betsie prays: "Thank you for fleas"

6. (2 Corinthians 9:15) "Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift"

(John 3:16) "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life" It's amazing grace, and Hymn #376 "He Paid A Debt"

CLOSE: Say, "Thanks" by trusting and obeying.