SCRIPTURE PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

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1 Psalm 30:11-12: David's thanksgiving at the dedication of his house

You turned for me **my mourning into dancing**; you removed my sackcloth and CLOTHED ME WITH JOY, that *my heart may sing to you* and not be silent. O Lord my God, I WILL GIVE THANKS TO THEE **for ever**.

2 Daniel 2:23: Daniel thanks God after receiving revelation in response to prayer

I thank and praise you, **O God of my fathers**: for you have given me *wisdom and strength*, and have now made known to me what we asked of you: for **you have made known to us** THE KING'S MATTER.

3 Luke 10:21: Jesus thanks God for the successful missions work of the seventy disciples

At that time Jesus, FULL OF JOY through the Holy Spirit, said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have **hidden these things** from the wise and understanding **and revealed them** to little children. Yes, Father, for *this was your good pleasure*."

4 Romans 1:8: Paul gives thanks for the reputation of the church in Rome

First, **I thank my God** through Jesus Christ **for all of you**, because YOUR FAITH IS BEING REPORTED *all over the world*.

5 Romans 6:17-18: Paul thanks God for the whole-hearted obedience of the believers in Rome

But *thanks be to God* that, though you who were once slaves of sin, you have become OBEDIENT WITH YOUR WHOLE HEART to the teaching entrusted to you, and having been **set free from sin**, have become **slaves of righteousness**.

6 I Corinthians 1:4-9: Paul gives thanks for the grace given to believers in Corinth

I give thanks to God **always** for you because of the grace of God which was given you in Christ Jesus, that you were ENRICHED IN EVERY WAY in him with **all speech and all knowledge** ... so that you are NOT LACKING IN ANY SPIRITUAL GIFT, as *you eagerly wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ*. He will keep you **strong and on track** to the end, **without guilt or shame** on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

7 I Corinthians 15:54-57: Thanks to God the Father for defeating death through Jesus

"Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But THANKS BE TO GOD, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!

8 2 Corinthians 2:14-16: Thanksgiving for God's labor in the world through the church

But thanks be to God, who **always leads us** in triumphal procession in Christ, and **through us spreads everywhere** *the fragrance of the knowledge of him.* For WE ARE THE AROMA OF CHRIST TO GOD among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing -- to one a fragrance from death to death, to the other a fragrance from life to life.

9 Philippians 1:3-6: Paul gives thanks for partnership in the gospel with the Ephesians

I thank my God **in all my remembrance of you**, each memory a trigger to joyful prayer, FULL OF THANKS FOR YOUR PARTNERSHIP IN THE GOSPEL from the first day until now. And I am **absolutely confident** that he who began a good work in you will be *carrying it through to completion* up to the day of Jesus Christ.

10 Colossians 1:3-5: Thanksgiving for the character of the church in Colossae, and their reward in God

We always thank Father of our Lord Jesus Christ when we pray for you, because we have heard of your FAITH in Christ Jesus and of the LOVE which you have for all the saints – the faith and love that spring from the HOPE stored up for you in heaven ...

11 I Thessalonians 1:2-3: Paul thankful for the hard work of the Thessalonians

We give thanks to God always for you all, **constantly mentioning** you in our prayers, **continually remembering** *before our God and Father* your WORK OF FAITH and LABOR OF LOVE and STEADFASTNESS OF HOPE in the Lord Jesus Christ.

12 I Thessalonians 2:13-14: Oh, the humility of those who accept God's truth from other believers!

And we also thank God constantly for this, that when you received the word of God which you **heard from others**, YOU ACCEPTED IT not as the word of men but as what it really is, **the word of God**, which is *at work* in you who believe. For you, brothers and sisters, became IMITATORS OF GOD'S OTHER CHURCHES **around you** ...

13 2 Thessalonians 2:13 & 1:3: Our obligation to give thanks for other bodies of believers

WE ARE BOUND to give thanks to God always for you, brothers and sisters, the beloved of the Lord, because God chose you from the beginning to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth ... WE ARE BOUND to give thanks to God always for you, brothers and sisters, as is fitting, because your faith is growing more and more, and the love of every one of you for one another is increasing more and more. Because of this, among the churches of God we ourselves BOAST OF YOU ...

14 2 Timothy 1:3-7: Thanks in intercession and encouragement

I thank God whom I serve with a clear conscience (as did my fathers) when I **remember you night and day** in my prayers. As I remember your tears, I LONG NIGHT AND DAY TO SEE YOU, *that I may be filled with joy*. I am reminded of **your sincere faith**, a faith that dwelt first in your parents and grandparents and now, I am sure, dwells in you. Hence I REMIND YOU TO FAN INTO FLAME THE GIFT OF GOD, which is in you through the laying on of hands; for God did not give us a spirit of timidity but a spirit of **power** and **love** and **self-control**.

15 Philemon 4-7: Thanks for Philemon's love towards other saints

I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers, because I HEAR ABOUT YOUR FAITH in the Lord Jesus and I HEAR ABOUT YOUR LOVE for all the saints. I pray that you may be *active in the sharing of your faith*, **so that** you will have a **full understanding** of **every good thing** we have in Christ. For I have derived much joy and comfort from your love, my brother, because THE HEARTS OF THE SAINTS HAVE BEEN REFRESHED through you.

16 Revelation 11:17: The 24 elders give thanks for God's judgments, which remove those things that hinder love on the earth

We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, who is and who was, because **you** have taken your great power and you have begun to reign. The nations raged, but THE TIME CAME for your wrath; and THE TIME CAME for the dead to be judged; and THE TIME CAME for rewarding your servants, the prophets and saints; and THE TIME CAME for rewarding those who fear your name, both small and great; and THE TIME CAME FOR DESTROYING THE DESTROYERS OF THE EARTH!