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MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE UNTO THE LORD, ALL YE LANDS

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SCRIPTURE READING: **PSALMS 100:1**

Psalms 100:1, **Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands.**

1. BACKGROUND

- a. Please refer to the November 28, 2021 Evening Message for the Background.

2. INTRODUCTION

- a. Many competing claims exist, the most familiar story of the first Thanksgiving took place in Plymouth Colony, in present-day Massachusetts, in 1621.
- b. Sara Josepha Hale petitioned for a national Thanksgiving holiday for close to 40 years, believing that "Thanksgiving," like the Fourth of July, should be considered a national festival and observed by all our people.
- c. President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed the last Thursday in November 1863 as "A day of thanksgiving and praise to our Heavenly Father."
- d. Each year afterward for 75 years, the President of the United States formally proclaimed that Thanksgiving Day should be celebrated on the last Thursday of November. But then the ugly face of liberalism, humanism, and secularism began to show its destructive force on the public scene. In 1939 President Franklin D. Roosevelt set Thanksgiving one week earlier. Reason? He wanted to help business by lengthening the shopping period before Christmas. Congress finally ruled in 1941 that the fourth Thursday of November would be observed as Thanksgiving Day and would be a legal federal holiday.
- e. The point I want to make is this: the original reason for those first Puritan settlers to celebrate a Thanksgiving Day was to give thanks to Almighty God for His goodness, grace and bountiful provision. Today it has become just another government holiday for people to have an excuse to get out of work, and to start their Christmas shopping sooner. **Psalm 107:1, O give thanks unto the LORD, for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever. 1 Thessalonians 5:18, In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.**
- f. But every Christian should know and realize that the Bible does tell us to set aside time to give thanks to Almighty God for His great and fantastic blessings to each one of us. **1 Thessalonians 5:16-18; Rejoice evermore 17: Pray without ceasing. 18: In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.** Charles Haddon Spurgeon (1834-1892), the great 19th century pastor and Bible teacher writes, concerning this passage: "I have not always found it easy to practice this duty, this I confess to my shame. When suffering extreme pain some years ago, a brother in Christ said to me, 'Have you thanked God for this?' I replied that I desired to be patient, and would be thankful to recover, 'But,' said he, 'In everything give thanks, not after it is over, but while you are still in it, and perhaps when you are enabled to give thanks for the severe pain, it will cease.' I believe that there was much wisdom in that good advice."
- g. **Ephesians 5:20, Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;**
- h. **Colossians 2:7, Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.** There is a relationship between your consistent learning and application of Bible doctrine and your attitude of thanksgiving toward God. In other words, maximum knowledge of the Word of God gives you capacity for gratitude.

- i. **Colossians 1:10-12, That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God; 11: Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness; 12: Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light:**
- j. **2 Corinthians 9:15, Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift.** God's indescribable gift is Jesus Christ, the Savior of mankind. Our Royal High Priest, our King of kings, and Lord of lords. And this verse is found at the end of Paul's dissertation on financial giving, and thankfulness to those believers who gave to support the work of the Lord.
- k. **Psalms 100:4, Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name**
- l. Thanksgiving is to be a function of our prayers. **Ephesians 1:16, Cease not to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers;**
- m. **Colossians 1:3, We give thanks to God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you,**
- n. **Colossians 4:2, Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving;**
- o. **Philippians 4:6, Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.**
- p. All true thanksgiving is based on the knowledge and application of the Preserved Word of God. All true happiness is based on the knowledge and application of the Word of God. **Psalm 1:1, Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful 2: But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.** (in other words, he does not make unbelievers his best friends, nor does he go out of his way to associate with unbelievers. Even though he is a sinner himself, he is a sinner saved by the grace of God, and a citizen of heaven, and a child of God) **nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful** (the believer is not to stand by and listen to the ungodly who mock the truths of the Word of God. He will depart from those who mock the fact of God's creation, and mock the sacrificial death of our Lord, and mock the reality of His return. The believer takes wiser counsel than the counsel of the ungodly. Who are the ungodly? They include anyone who rejects the teachings of the Preserved Word of God. The happy man does not live his life based on the advice or the teachings of the ungodly. In other words, he will not live his life based on the teachings of psychology; nor of humanistic, non-scientific teachings of evolution; nor of the liberal teachings of big government and socialism and welfare. All of these are classified as ungodly and wicked. And the believer who understands the Word of God will not live his life based on these teachings because he has something much higher, much more noble and reliable to base his life on. **Psalms 1: 2. But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.** (I want you to notice that the word "law" refers to the Word of God as it was revealed at that time. Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone that believeth. The word "**meditate**" does not refer to any type of transcendental meditation, which is evil and Satanic. But it refers to meditating on something that is already in your soul, the Word of God. In other words, meditating on the Word of God is the "**delight**" of the believer who is positive to God and His plan. Therefore, if the believer takes "delight" in the Word of God, reads it and studies it, and then meditates on what he has read and learned by day, and thinks about it at night before he goes to sleep; **Psalms 1:3, And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.** (not a wild tree, 'is planted.') **by the streams of water** ("streams" is in the plural. This refers to many streams being ready to sustain and feed and supply his need. The rivers of grace provides all our needs. Such as: logistical grace, efficacious grace, super grace, ultra-super grace, dying grace, surpassing grace) **which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither** (not only is his fruit preserved, but his leaf also. In other words, he shall never lose his beauty, nor his fruitfulness). **And whatever he does prospers."**
- q. When a believer lives his life according to the Preserved Word of God, which means that he will not live according to the teachings of psychology, or public education, or government laws and regulations that conflict with the Word of God. Nor does he search for unbelieving friends and associates, nor does he associate with those who mock the clear teachings of the work and plan of God through Jesus Christ. But he makes his delight, he lives in the truths of the Word of God by day and ponders and meditates on them before he goes to sleep. If he does all this, he will bear much fruit on a continual basis, and whatever he does he will prosper. In other words, God will bless his every move. **James 1:25, But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed.**

- r. Therefore, I challenge you to make a greater effort than you ever have before to be consistent in your learning of the Word of God, in your reading of the Word of God, and in your application of the Word of God. That is your duty, that is to be your life as a believer in Jesus Christ. And if you desire true happiness and true contentment in this life, it can only be obtained through your consistent learning and application of the Word of God in the filling of the Holy Spirit. **But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen. (2 Peter 3:18). 2 Timothy 2:15, Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.**
- s. As we pursue the Psalms, we find a beautiful little cluster **Psalms 93 to Psalms 100** which we will consider today.
- t. Let's set the context in **Psalms 93:1**, we saw that the **The LORD reigneth, he is clothed with majesty; the LORD is clothed with strength, wherewith he hath girded himself: the world also is stablished, that it cannot be moved.**
1. This speaks of the future and the time that the Lord Jesus Christ will come to Earth. **1 Timothy 6:15, Which in his times he shall shew, who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords; Revelation 17:14, These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings; and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful. Revelation 19:16, And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.**
 2. The first time he came, he did not come in majesty; he came as a babe in the manger to die for your sin and mine. Remember at His first coming He came to save the soul. At His Second Coming He will redeem the body. **Galatians 4:4-5, But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, 5: To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. Luke 5:32, I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.**
 3. There will never be total blessing upon the Earth until Christ and Israel comes together. **Isaiah 32:1, Behold, a king shall reign in righteousness, and princes shall rule in judgment.**
- u. **Psalms 94:1 says, O LORD God, to whom vengeance belongeth; O God, to whom vengeance belongeth, shew thyself.**
1. When the Lord comes back to Earth, He will set things straight and set things right. **Proverbs 29:2, When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice: but when the wicked beareth rule, the people mourn.**
 2. Man cannot do this because man is vindictive, but the righteous judge, the Lord Jesus Christ will establish all things on the Earth as Israel possess the land.
- v. **Psalms 95:1, O come, let us sing unto the LORD: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.** Remember that Peter is not the rock.
1. Salvation is only in our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. He is indeed the Rock of our Salvation. **Jonah 2:9, But I will sacrifice unto thee with the voice of thanksgiving; I will pay that that I have vowed. Salvation is of the LORD. Acts 4:12, Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved. 1 Corinthians 10:4, And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ.**
 2. Our application to the church is that he saves both Jews and Gentiles. **Romans 3:9, What then? are we better than they? No, in no wise: for we have before proved both Jews and Gentiles, that they are all under sin; 1 Corinthians 12:13, For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.**
- w. **Psalms 96:1, O sing unto the LORD a new song: sing unto the LORD, all the earth.**
1. Here, Israel is instructed to sing a new song. **Exodus 15:1-2, Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the LORD, and spake, saying, I will sing unto the LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea. 2: The LORD is my strength and song, and he is become my salvation: he is my God, and I will prepare him an habitation; my father's God, and I will exalt him.**
 2. When the Lord saves a Christian, there should be a new song and a new language. **2 Corinthians 5:17, Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. Romans 12:2, And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and**

acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

- x. **Psalms 97:1, The LORD reigneth; let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of isles be glad thereof.** This speaks of Jesus as He rules and reigns from the Throne of David.
- y. **Psalms 98:1, O sing unto the LORD a new song; for he hath done marvellous things: his right hand, and his holy arm, hath gotten him the victory.**
- z. **Psalms 99:1, The LORD reigneth; let the people tremble: he sitteth between the cherubims; let the earth be moved.**
- aa. Then we come to the **Psalms** that are under consideration today...**Psalms 100** to talk about Thanksgiving. **Psalms 136:1, O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.**
- bb. How thankful we need to be, that our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ has provided salvation for us and the ability to enjoy the abundant life. I am of the opinion, based on (**Ecclesiastes 12:13, Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man.**) that our journey through this life is to prepare us for eternity. God does not make the choice of where we will spend eternity; it is our decision; however, He desires that we choose life. **Deuteronomy 30:19, I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live:**
- cc. The wrong choice of not accepting Jesus Christ as personal Saviour and slipping into eternity not clothed in His righteousness, does not compare to the very worst conditions that we can face upon the earth; to name a few: life in prison, homelessness, sickness and extreme poverty. **John 1:12, But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: Romans 10:9-10, That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. 10: For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.**
- dd. Let's take a closer look one point to the message as we peruse **Psalms 100.**

3 ONE POINT TO THE MESSAGE

a. Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye land.

1. **Psalms 100:1, Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands.**
2. I believe to make a joyful noise unto the Lord simply means that we are here to worship Him. **Luke 4:8, And Jesus answered and said unto him, Get thee behind me, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.** 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, **Rejoice evermore. 17: Pray without ceasing. 18: In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.**
3. We do not worship Him with sadness, long faces, negativity and doubt. **Philippians 4:4-7, Rejoice in the Lord alway: and again I say, Rejoice. 5: Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. 6: Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. 7: And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.** Colossians 3:15, **And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful.**
4. We worship Him with Thanksgiving. **Colossians 4:2, Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving;**
5. We are ready to confess our sins as we realize the forgiveness He provides for us. **James 5:16, Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.** This healing involves not the body but the sin sick soul. To put healing of the body in the atonement is simply error and false doctrine. **Isaiah 53:5, But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. 1 Peter 2:24 Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed. 1 John 1:9, If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**
6. We are clothed in the righteousness of Christ. **Philippians 3:9, And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith:** Romans 3:2, **Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference:**
7. The passage of scripture in **3 John 1:2, Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper**

and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth. sets the tone for this Thanksgiving message. **Proverbs 3:5, Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. 6: In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.**

8. The Lord wants us to look beyond our circumstances and look to Him for strength, guidance, happiness, and joy. **Psalms 32:11, Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, ye righteous: and shout for joy, all ye that are upright in heart. Nehemiah 8:10, Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared: for this day is holy unto our Lord: neither be ye sorry; for the joy of the LORD is your strength.**
9. In the words of that beautiful song Joy To The World The Lord Has Come! Let earth receive her King, Let every heart prepare Him room and Heaven and nature sing.
10. Thanksgiving means giving Jesus His rightful place and setting things in their rightful perspective which the aforementioned song mentions so beautifully. **1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, Rejoice evermore. 17: Pray without ceasing. 18: In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.**
11. When I was in the military, we had something that I did not participate in... called "Happy Hour", it was the world's view of happiness with the booze flowing.
12. Sometimes I wish that we would have a "spiritual happy hour" in our churches (without the liquor); happiness with sweet fellowship, enjoying one another, and reflecting on what our Lord Jesus Christ has done for us.

4. CONCLUSION

- a. Do you know Jesus today? If you do not know Him, this is the time to come to a saving knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I would not put it off my friend. It is not by works of righteousness that we have done. God does not put our bad on a scale; and if the good outweighs the bad, we go to Heaven; and if the bad outweighs the good, we go to Hell. My friend, it is not about doing the best you can, keeping the Ten Commandments, the sermon on the mount and being good. We do not go to Heaven by being good and we do not go to Hell because we are bad. **1 Corinthians 6:9-11, Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, 10: Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. 11: And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.** Jesus had to deal with the sin nature. It is all about our belief in the death, the burial and the resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of a virgin. Suffered, went to the cross, shed His precious blood for you and I, and presented it at the throne of God in Heaven. He ever liveth to make intercession for us.
- b. If you do not know Him you, need to come to a saving knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ today. **John 1:12, But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:**
- c. **Romans 3:23, For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;**
- d. **Romans 3:10, As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one:**
- e. **Romans 10:9-10, That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. 10: For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.**
- f. **2 Peter 1:4, Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust. John 10:27-29, My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: 28: And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. 29: My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand. 2 Timothy 1:12, For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day. Romans 8:38-39, For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, 39: Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. 1 John 5:13, These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.**

- g. May God richly bless you during this Thanksgiving and Christmas season as we reflect on what he has done for us, and what he will do for us in the future.
- h. It has been a pleasure for Clara and I, to serve you here at Chesswood Baptist Church. God has given us one of the greatest church families on the face of the Earth. Indeed, we are thankful that He has chosen to use us here at Chesswood.
- i. Would you please stand?

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