## <u>Understanding the Power of Thanksgiving</u> <u>A Message Delivered by Pastor Promise Omidiora</u> <u>at Thursday Chapel Service, April 5, 2018</u>

Praise is one sure way of bringing God into our situation. Each time we dwell in praise, we are dwelling in God. Thanksgiving facilitates future testimonies. When we give thanks for what we have received, it facilitates fresh testimonies.

## Why Do We Give Thanks?

We thank God for His blessings (Psalm 103:1-5; John 3:16).

We thank Him for things anticipated. We can begin to look at our scarcity and begin to see surplus. Nothing can be called little when God is in the centre

of it. When God comes into anything small, it becomes more than enough (John 6:11-12); after Jesus gave thanks, what was not enough became surplus.

Give thanks to God for your efforts that have yielded maximum results (Psalm 67:5-7). You enter the realm of fearful blessings when you praise Him. There are realms of blessings that come upon your life and your enemies surrender. Glorious things always happen around the individual who always gives God the glory. You can never get stranded with thanksgiving (John 6:6). Amazing testimonies are born in thanksgiving. When you dwell in thanksgiving, you always dwell in testimonies (John 11:41).

However, only the living can praise the Lord. Dead horses win no races. You are only qualified to give thanks when you have Jesus in your heart. Offering thanksgiving to God when you are not born again is reporting yourself to Him. New birth is what paves the way for eternity with Christ, there's no other way.

Jesus loves you and is waiting for you. Don't block your heart from Him. This is the first step you must take in order for everything else to work.

Embrace the love of God today and see how things will begin to work for you without stress.