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Building a Thankful Heart Psalm 138

A heart gives thanks because the Lord keeps His promised love

Psalm 138 OF DAVID

Whole hearted thanksgiving

Based upon His character and His promise, now freshly expressed (vs. 2)

Based upon His personal help (vs. 3)

- ¹ I give you **thanks** with my whole heart;
before the gods I **sing your praise**;
- ² I bow down toward your holy temple and give **thanks** to your **name**
above your **steadfast love** and above your faithfulness,
for **you have exalted** above all your **name**, your **word**.
- ³ On the day I called, you answered me; you increased my strength of soul.

From kings

From the lowly

- ⁴ All the kings of the earth shall give you **thanks**, **O LORD**,
for they have heard the **words** of your mouth,
- ⁵ and they shall **sing** of the ways of the **LORD**,
for **great** is the glory of the **LORD**.
- ⁶ For though the **LORD** is high, he regards the lowly,
but the haughty he knows from afar.
Luke 1:51-2; Isaiah 66:2

God's personal help detailed

He preserves

He fulfills His promise because of His character

- ⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble,
you preserve my life;
against the wrath of my enemies
you stretch out your **hand**, and your right **hand** delivers me.
- ⁸ The **LORD** will fulfill unto me;
O LORD, your **steadfast love**, endures forever.
the work of your **hands** you do not forsake.