

## THANKSGIVING FAMILY SERVICE 2023

Psalm 103

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PRAISE GOD WITH YOUR ALL, REMEMBERING ALL HIS BENEFITS: HIS FORGIVENESS, HEALING, REDEMPTION, LOVE, SATISFACTION, STRENGTHENING, AND JUSTICE

1. PRAISE GOD WITH YOUR ALL REMEMBERING ALL HIS BENEFITS (vs.1, 2, 19-22)
  - a. FORGIVENESS (vs. 3, 9-12)
  - b. HEALING (vs. 3b)
  - c. REDEMPTION (vs. 4)
  - d. LOVE (vs. 4b, 7,8, 13-18)
  - e. SATISFACTION AND STRENGTHENING (vs. 5)
  - f. JUSTICE (vs. 6)

MEMORY VERSES: Psalm 103:1,2

READ AHEAD FOR NEXT WEEK: Daniel 6

### DISCUSSION GUIDE

1. How do you praise/bless God from your soul, your inmost being?
2. Why does the psalmist command his soul to praise/bless the Lord?
3. How many times does he command everyone everywhere to praise/bless the Lord?
4. What does it mean to "praise/bless his holy name"?
5. Describe the benefits of knowing the Lord in Psalm 103? Can you think of others?
6. Why is it important to focus on the benefits of God's mercy as we worship?
7. In your own words, summarize God's forgiveness described in vs. 3, 9-12.
8. How have you seen God's physical or emotional healing in your life?
9. What does it mean that God "redeems our lives from the pit"?
10. How does God "crown you with love and compassion"?
11. Which desires has God satisfied with good things in you that have strengthened you?
12. How does praising God with your all change the way you look at life?
13. How does this passage challenge or encourage you?