



# DESERT HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH

A PLACE FOR EVERYONE

November 1, 2020

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### The Power in Giving Thanks

“When they began to sing and to praise, the Lord set ambushes against the people of Ammon, Moab, and Mount Seir, who had come against Judah; and they were defeated.” 2 Chronicles 20:22

As we enter into the Thanksgiving season, it is good to remember that one of our most powerful weapons of warfare against the enemy is to worship the Lord and give Him thanks.

We’re told to do this even before we see the victory come to pass. Confident in the name of Jesus and the power of our prayers, we can let our requests be known to God “with thanksgiving” and then experience His peace that “surpasses all understanding.” (Philippians 4:6-7).

The Bible describes a time when this principle was utilized by King Jehoshaphat to defeat the enemy armies that came against the people of Judah. The worshipers were instructed to go out in front of Jehoshaphat’s army to give praise to the Lord. Even before they saw the victory come to pass, they proclaimed God’s faithfulness. “Praise the Lord, for His mercy endures forever.”

Do you remember what happened when they lifted up the name of the Lord? He set ambushes to defeat their enemies (2 Chronicles 20:21-23).

What a great lesson for us. Yes, the enemies are real but there is overwhelming victory when we magnify and praise our great God. Without any of the fancy technology we have today, the early church turned the world upside down for Christ. What was their secret?

For one thing, they understood the incredible power they had in the name of Jesus. They recognized that everything in heaven and on earth must ultimately bow to that name (Philippians 2:9-11).

Think of it: Every sickness...every chain...every addiction...every problem...every financial need...every relationship conflict, they all must bow to the mighty name of Jesus Christ!

If you are going through a difficult situation right now, call on the victorious name of Jesus and start to praise Him. When you recognize Him as Lord of all, you can give Him thanks in all circumstances (1 Thessalonians 5:18).

Just as Jehoshaphat learned to give thanks to the Lord before the victory came, another story reminds us of the importance of also giving thanks after we’ve received a breakthrough from God. One day 10 lepers called on Jesus to heal them; “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us” they shouted (Luke 17:11-19).

These men had fervently called on the name of the Lord, and He told them to go and show themselves to the priests in order to confirm their healing. As they took steps of faith and obedience, each of these sick men were healed, but only one of them, a Samaritan, returned to say thanks.

Jesus asked, “Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner?” This former leper took time to praise the Lord for his miracle, and Jesus told him, “Your faith has made you well.”

Take a few minutes to think about all the things God has done for you. Think of all the times He has rescued you from sin and broken chains in your life. Also times when He has touched and healed your body, given you financial provision, and blessed you in countless ways.

Go ahead and praise Him. Lift up the name of Jesus and thank Him for all He has done. Then go to our website and post your praises daily.

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**Volunteers wanted:**  
We are getting ready to begin serving coffee and donuts again in November.... we need people to make coffee and serve donuts. Please see office if you want to help. Thanks



**Giving THANKS**  
 The Whole Month Long  
 Virtual Service by Pastor Zach Hocker  
 Sunday 11:00 am & Wednesday 6:30 pm



**CELEBRATE RECOVERY**  
 Fridays at 8:30 pm @ DHBC

**TEENAGE CHRISTIAN CLUBHOUSE**  
 Wednesday Night 6:30-8:30 pm  
 All Youth 13-18th grades  
 Led by Zach Hocker  
 \* Free and no cost to attend

**MARY'S CORNER**  
 A Weekly Reflection Blog

Go to our website and check it out!  
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\*\*\*Sign up at table, we need to know how many will attend...

**Thanksgiving POTLUCK**  
 Thanksgiving Potluck on Tuesday, Nov. 17th at 12:00 noon at the church. All are invited to bring a dish to share. Sign up at the table.

**CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING**  
 WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH @ 6:30 PM

**UPCOMING EVENTS**  
 at DHBC

**Sunday 11/1**  
 8:30 am  
 \* Choir / Music Practice  
 9:30 - 10:30 am  
 \* Sunday School - ALL Ages  
 10:40 am  
 \*Worship  
 \*Children's Worship  
 \* Nursery  
 After Worship  
 12:00 pm  
 \*Drama Rehearsal

**Tuesday 11/3**  
 LAST NIGHT TO  
**YOU**

**Wednesday 11/4**  
 5:30 pm  
 \* Prayer Warriors Meet  
 6:30 pm  
 \*Discipleship thru Worship  
 \*Youth - Bible Study  
 \*Children's Bible Study

**Thursday 11/5**  
 6:30 pm  
 \*Marriage Seminar

**Friday, 11/6**  
 1:00 - 2:30 pm  
 \*Food Pantry  
 5:30 pm  
 \*Celebrate Recovery

**Saturday, 11/7**  
 9:30 am  
 KKVV 1060 am  
 "The Unashamed"  
 5:00 pm  
 \*Choir Rehearsal

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I PRAISE TOO MUCH AND NOW I'M STUCK

**Let's Pray**

**Desert Hills Office Hours**

**Mon, Tues, Thurs**  
 10:00am - 4:00 pm  
**Wednesday**  
 12:00 - 5:30 pm  
**Friday**  
 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

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