Lesson Seven:

Living an Unthankful Life

February Life in the Word Series:

From Such Turn Away



Foundation Scripture:

II Timothy 3:1-5

Romans 1:21

Although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened. Professing to be wise, they became fools.

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"Instead of complaining that the rosebush is full of thorns, be happy that the thorn bush has roses."



UNTHANKFUL is not showing or feeling gratitude: thankless, unappreciative, ungrateful.

The word "unthankful" is a translation of the Greek word acharistos.

Revelation 4:17

Because you say, 'I am rich, have become wealthy, and have need of nothing'—and do not know that you are wretched, miserable, poor, blind, and naked.

Nine Negative Consequences of Living Unthankful Lives:

1. We Will Not be Able to See the Divine Opportunities in Front of Us.

Ephesians 1:3

Praise the God, and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!
Through Christ, God has blessed us with every spiritual blessing that heaven has to offer.



2. We Will Focus on the Actions of People Instead of the Processes of God.

3. We Will Long More for Pleasant Circumstances than Being Satisfied with God Alone.

Psalm 107:9



For He satisfies the longing soul, and the hungry soul He fills with good things.

4. We Will Give Place to the Devil who Operates in Lust, Greed, and Pride.

5. We Will Repel Key People Around Us.

6. We Will Repel The Presence Of God Within Us

7. God Cannot Trust Us With More Blessings.

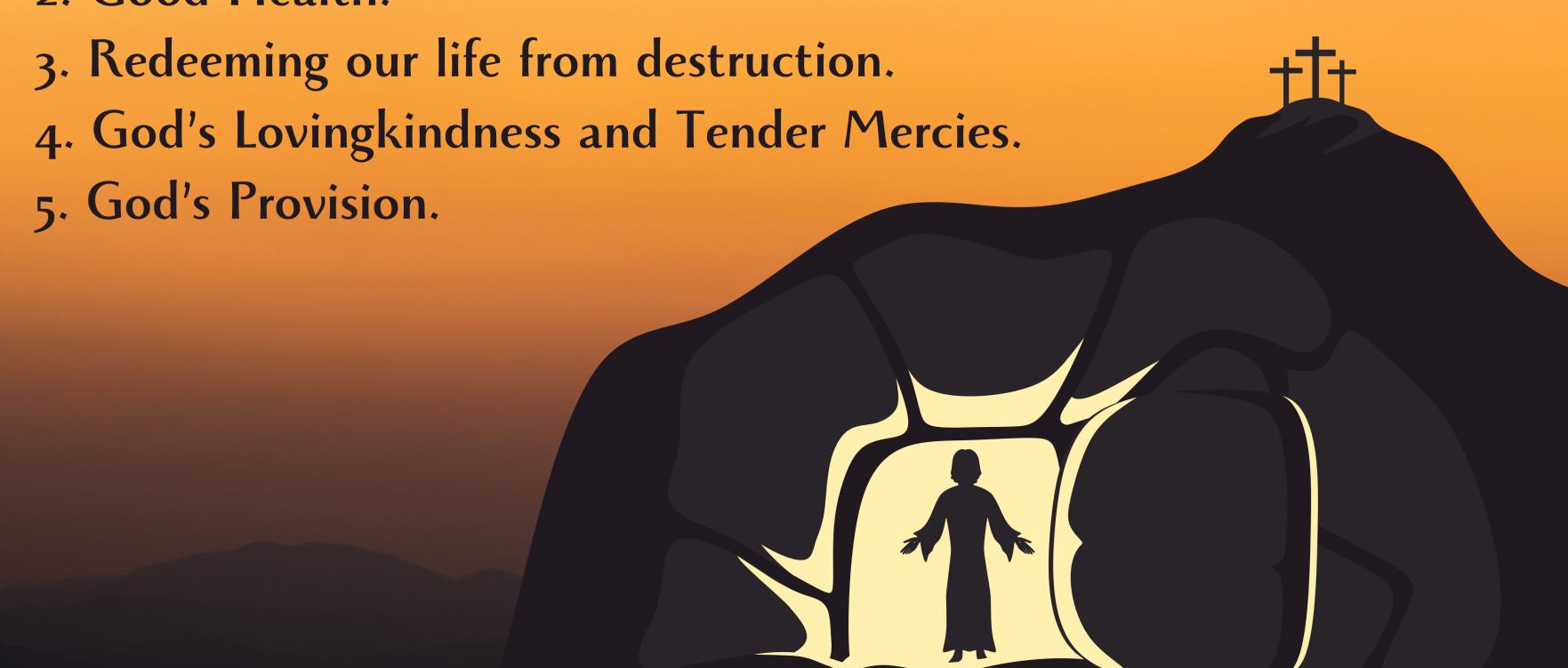
Psalm 103:1-5

Bless the Lord, O my soul; And all that is within me, bless His holy name! Bless the Lord, O my soul, And forget not all His benefits: Who forgives all your iniquities, Who heals all your diseases, Who redeems your life from destruction, Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies, Who satisfies your mouth with good things, So that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Five Things We Should Be Thankful For from Psalm 103:1-5



2. Good Health.



8. We Will Suffer Continual Discouragement and even Depression.

Philippians 4:8-9

Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.

What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.



James 1:17, Every good gift and every perfect present comes from heaven; it comes down from God, the Creator of the heavenly lights, who does not change or cause darkness by turning.



"You will never find a rainbow looking down."

9. We Will Miss Our Greatest Purpose in Life: To Love and Worship God.

Revelation 4:10-11



Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created.

A Story About a Devout King and His Subjects



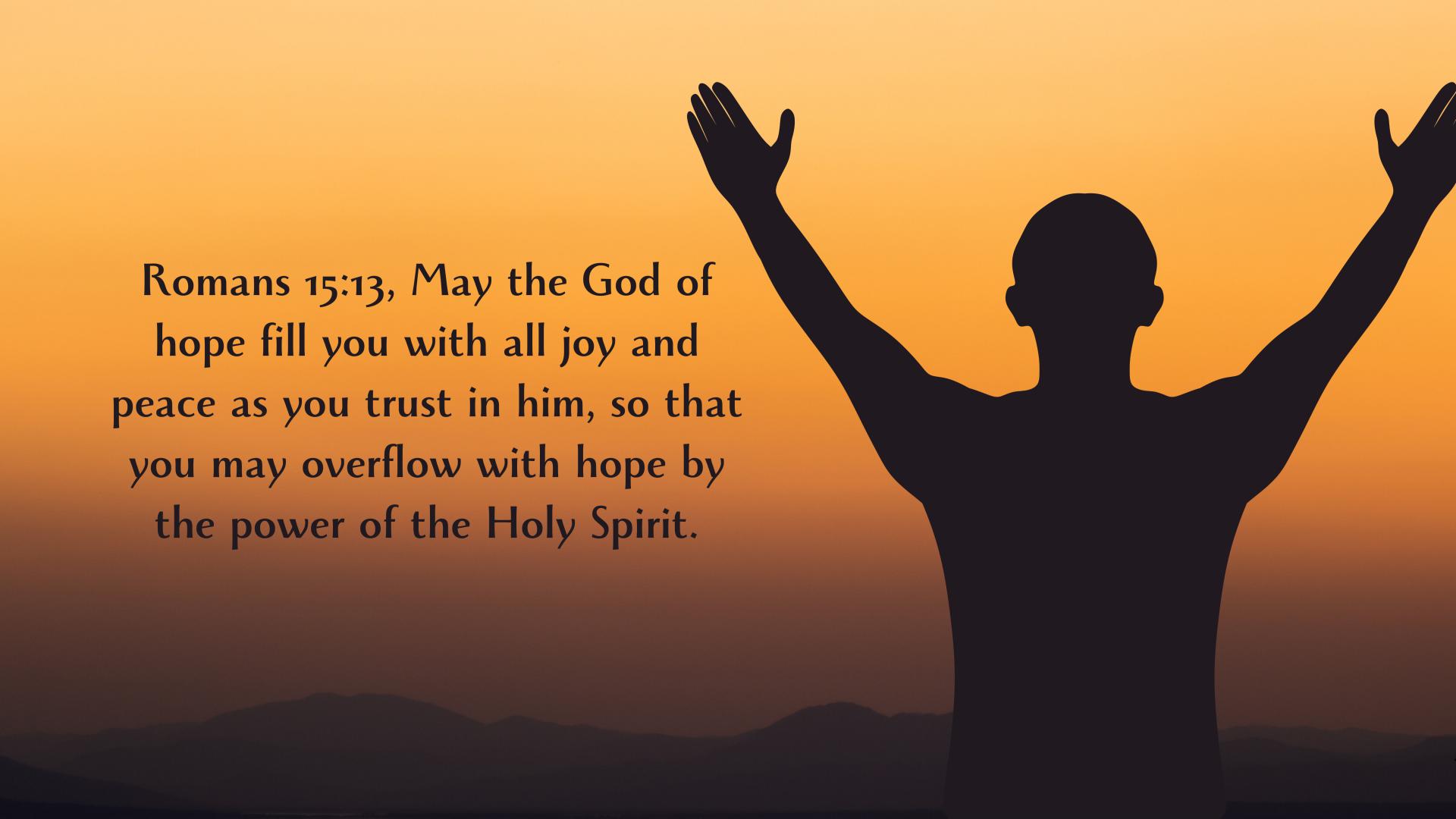
1. We are never abandoned.

2. We are never alone.

3. We are never without HOPE. Hold

On. Pain Ends.





"If a person isn't thankful for what he's got, he isn't likely to be thankful for what he's going to get."

Follow Up Chat Questions:

- 1. How did the Apostle Paul describe an unthankful person?
- 2. What are some characteristics of an unthankful person?
- 3. In what way(s) can unthankful blind your vision to the opportunities and blessings of God?
- 4. Living a thankful life requires that we solely fix our eyes of the Lord. Why is this necessary?
- 5. What was Satan's original sin in the book of Isaiah? Explain.
- 6. Praise is not a tool to "get" but rather it is the proper response of gratitude for what God has given. Is it biblical to say," When the praises go up, blessing come down."? Explain.
- 7. What are five things we should be thankful for according to Psalm 103?
- 8. How would you define real thankfulness?
- 9. How can you apply the lesson to your spiritual walk?