

Sermon Notes

Protective Thankfulness
Psalm 106

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Big Idea:

Thankfulness not only properly praises God, but also protects us from the sins of discontentment.

v.13 – 15 – Discontent & Impatience

v.16 – 18 – Jealousy

v. 19 – 23 – Idolatry (Worshipping that which is not God)

v. 24 – 27 – Fear

v. 28 - 31 – Apostasy (Abandoning your faith for another)

v.32 – 33 – Mistrust & Anger

v. 34 – 43 – Acculturation

Congregational Thanksgiving

Attributes of God

Personal Blessings

While We Wait

Questions for Reflection/Discussion:

As always feel free to tweak, skip, or add questions to focus on areas you think most relevant to your group.

1. Why do you think food plays such a powerful role in celebrations of remembrance? Did you try anything new at the potluck?
2. How would you rate your memory right now? How do you make sure you don't forget important things?
3. Read v.13, what are some practices that you've found helpful to remind yourself and your family of God's blessings?
4. How can thankfulness act to counter an atmosphere of complaining?
5. Which aspect of God's character are you especially thankful for right now? What about your current situation makes that particular one stand out?
6. As you look back on the year what are some of the blessings that stand out?
7. Work your way through the middle section of the Psalm pausing after each section to discuss how thankfulness protects us from the various sins addressed in the passage?
8. How can someone retain a spirit of thankfulness even during the harder times in life?