

ACCESSING GOD'S PRESENCE - 2

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REVIEW:

- In God's presence lives are changed; needs are met, burdens are lifted; and divine encounters occur.
- The first way is by Jesus' blood, **HEB. 10:19-20**. It's new and living.

CONTINUE: The way of thanksgiving and praise, **PS. 100:1-5**, **PS. 22:3**.

1. Thanksgiving acknowledges God's goodness, and praise expresses our gratitude for who He is and what He's done.
 - A. **PS. 107:1** Endureth is italicized. His mercy forever means it had no beginning and no end. The Psalm reveals the work of His goodness and mercy. **V1**, redemption; **V13-14** deliverance; **V17-22** Healing; **V27-32** Emotional calming and peace.
2. Praise brings God's presence.
 - A. **2 CHRON. 20:21-22** Praise brought God's presence into the battle.
 - B. **ACTS 16:25-26** God manifested Himself in their praises- something Paul learned, **PHIL. 4:11-13**.

Continual Praise

1. **PS. 34:1-4** David blessed and praised the Lord continually.
2. **PS. 103:1-5** By remembering His benefits we stir up gratitude and praise.
3. **HEB. 13:15** The sacrifice of praise, continually, is to be offered up to God by Jesus Christ.
 - A. Jehovah Rapha, the Lord our Healer!

CONCLUSION: Thanksgiving and praise give us access to God's presence, enabling Him to manifest Himself among us, and become our salvation, **PS. 118:21**.