



Rejoice always, *pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances;*
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. (1 Thessalonians 5:16–18)

The Song of the Lamb

In Revelation 15:3-4, John hears the victorious Saints singing the Song of Moses, the Song of the Lamb:

“Great and amazing are your deeds,

O Lord God the Almighty!

Just and true are your ways,

O King of the nations!

Who will not fear, O Lord,

and glorify your name?

For you alone are holy.

All nations will come and worship you,

for your righteous acts have been revealed.”

So why is this short, powerful song called the Song of Moses and the Song of the Lamb? Notice it is the song of Moses and the Lamb. In other words, this is a song that both Moses and The Lamb would sing, *will sing*. Moses *sang* a song similar to this in Exodus 15 when God redeemed Israel out of Egypt. Jesus, The Lamb, *will sing this and other songs when our redemption is complete*.

This song celebrates the *undeniable revelation* of God’s righteousness in *all* His ways and anticipates the coming of the Kingdom when everyone on Earth will worship the One True God in Christ!

As I was thinking about Jesus singing this song (*and teaching us this song!*), I thought of another passage in which Christ sings praises to God:

“For the One who sanctifies (*Jesus*) and those who are sanctified (*us!*) all have one Father. That is why Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers, saying:

‘I will proclaim Your name to My brothers;

I will sing hymns to You in the congregation.’

Again, ‘*I will trust in Him.*’ And again, ‘*Here I am with the children God gave Me.*’ (Hebrews 2:11–13)

This has been one of my favorite passages ever since I really understood what it means. First, we are told that both Jesus and His people have a common origin, Father—Father-God. Because of this, *Jesus is not ashamed to call us His brothers!* Let that sink in for a minute. And

Praise and Thanks for Blessings in 2019

In 2017, I shared how that was going to be a transitional year for TSF. We were at the end of our reserve funds and would be depending on Father-God to provide for our needs through the generosity of our supporters on a monthly basis. We were blessed greatly in 2018 and were absolutely amazed and sincerely thankful for the Lord meeting our needs through all of you. *2019 was even more amazing!* Last year, our donations exceeded

our expectations and our budget! *This has not happened in quite a while.*

We continue to depend on support month to month and I am convinced that this keeps us focused on the *grace* of Father-God, trusting Him and not the size of the savings account. I am also convinced that as long as we are serving the needs of the Lord and His Kingdom, *He will provide.*

Every day, I give thanks to our Father for His provision *through all of you who give to us so generously, those of you*

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note, in the New Testament, even women are referred to as “brothers” to show they have equal standing in the Family of God.

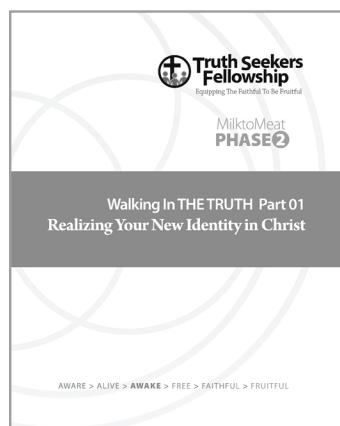
Hebrews then tells us that Jesus will proclaim *The Name* of the Father to His people and sing praises to Him in the midst of the congregation. *What does this mean?* This passage is giving us a glimpse of the day when we are all standing with Jesus, in the presence of the Father. On that day, Jesus will sing praises celebrating the faithfulness of the Father in the way He has accomplished our salvation *in* and *through* Christ Jesus!

Then Jesus says, “*I will trust Him (The Father)!*” What has Jesus learned that we need to know, that is worthy of a hymn? *Father-God is trustworthy!* As the song in Revelation says, “*Great and amazing are your deeds... Just and true are your ways... for your righteous acts have been revealed.*”

cont. *Praise and Thanks...*

who pray for us, those of you who attend classes or listen on-line. I can’t express the depth of my joy and gratitude for all of you who bless us in all the ways you support and encourage us. *I pray that our Father would bless you richly in Christ through His Spirit in the same measure you have blessed us.*

New Workbook on Amazon



Just a couple of weeks ago, we published the third workbook of our MilktoMeat 2.0 series on Amazon. Entitled, *Realizing Your New Identity in Christ*, this workbook covers some TSF “classics” - *What does it mean to be “in Christ?”*, *What is your*

position vs. your condition? What are your birthright blessings in Christ? We have copies in the office or you can look it up on Amazon - just search for “milktoMeat” to find all our available workbooks.

Finally, Jesus says, “*Here I am with the children God gave me?*” Jesus accepts us, welcomes us, *rejoices in us as His children!* What an amazing truth. Think about that for a bit.

We think of Jesus as our Savior. We think of Him as The King. We think of Him as the God-Man. And He truly is all these things. But how often do we think of Him as our “*older brother*” who is not ashamed of us? How often do we think of ourselves as His children, His spiritual family in whom He delights? One day, we will stand with Him as He sings, praising Father-God, celebrating *with* us and *for* us.

We yearn for this great day of final salvation to come. We long to see Jesus and hear His voice. Revelation 15:3-4 gives us the words to song for which we do not yet have the melody and harmony. But when the day comes, Jesus will teach us and we will sing with Him with a joy that we can now barely imagine. *Come quickly, Lord Jesus!*

This year, I am working to get the last three workbooks ready for printing and we will have more “news” related to that coming a little later - keep an eye out for updates.

Please Pray for Us as We Pray for You

We continue to trust Father-God and rely on His provision *through* all of you who pray for us and support us. ***Would you please join us in thanks and prayer:***

- **GIVE THANKS** that our Heavenly Father knows our needs, hears our prayers, and blesses us out of His *grace* and *abundance*
- ASK For **wisdom to be pleasing to the Lord** in all things
- ASK For the **financial resources** we need this year to keep the ministry moving forward
- ASK For **new opportunities for ministry**—new students, new areas of outreach

We constantly give thanks for you all—our students and supporters—who have been and continue to be such a vital part of TSF.

Until next time, Grace and peace to you all in Jesus’ name.