

Edward Christian Church

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Thanksgiving Commands

EAT CROW!

Psalm 100

Ever Feel Stuck?

Depressed Saddened Hopeless...

...No Way Out!

**The Pilgrims Could Have Felt That Way
104 Passengers...**

- **Ship as Big as Volleyball Court**
- **2 Died on the Trip**
- **45 Died the 1st Winter**
- **A Grave was Opened Every 3 Days for 4 mths**
- **Graves were Hid in Sand from Indians**
- **No Formal Funerals**

Yet They Rejoiced in the Lord !!!

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Good News!!!!

- **We Also Can Find Relief and Release**
- **This Psalm Guides Us Thru this Process**

Thanksgiving Commands

¹ **Shout** joyfully to the LORD, all the earth. ² **Serve** the LORD with gladness; Come before Him with joyful **singing**. ³ **Know** that the LORD Himself is God; It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; *We are* His people and the sheep of His pasture. ⁴ **Enter** His gates with thanksgiving, *And* His courts with **praise**. Give **thanks** to Him; bless His name. ⁵ For the LORD is good; His loving kindness is everlasting, And His faithfulness to all generations. -Psa 100:1-5 (NASB)

Condensed into 5 Commands

Shout



Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

Josh 6:10 NLT

"Do not shout; do not even talk," Joshua commanded. "Not a single word from any of you until I tell you to shout. Then shout!"

- **Respond to Very Presence/ Power of God.**
- **The Voice of Defeat in Your Head is Loud!**
- **Solution...Get Louder!!!!**

Serve



Serve the LORD with gladness!

- **Serve =work**
 - bond-service
 - worship

SERVE

Being God's hands and feet

Sing

The background of the slide is a colorful illustration of a church service. In the foreground, a man in a white shirt is playing a guitar. Behind him, a woman in a white dress is singing into a microphone. Other people are visible in the background, some with their hands raised in praise. The scene is set in a church with a blue wall and a window with a cross.

Come into his presence with singing!

Sing- to *creak* i.e. to *shout* (usually for joy)
sing (aloud, for joy, out), triumph.

Singing...

- **Builds Faith**
- **Lifts Mood**
- **Attracts God**

Acts 16:25, *“But at midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them”*

Submit

Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Know =to *know*, be sure, understand

- kinsman
- have respect
- skillfully teach

○ **Submit**(*applicable*)= **trust enough to give control**

[James 4:7 NKJV]

I BESEECH YOU THEREFORE, BRETHREN, **Sacrifice**
BY THE MERCIES OF GOD,
THAT YE PRESENT YOUR BODIES A LIVING SACRIFICE,

***Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts
with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!***

- Praise = Halal – *clear loud boast; celebrate*
- Thanksgiving = *extension* of the hand,
 - adoration; a *choir* of worshippers
 - confession,
 - (sacrifice of) praise

ROMANS 12:1

¹ Shout with joy to the LORD, all the earth!
² Worship the LORD with gladness. Come before him, singing with joy. ³ Acknowledge that the LORD is God! He made us, and we are his. We are his people, the sheep of his pasture. ⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise. Give thanks to him and praise his name.
⁵ For the LORD is good. His unfailing love continues forever, and his faithfulness continues to each generation.