

## WELCOME TO CALVARY CHAPEL OF HILO

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*Sunday Morning - 9:00 A.M – Psalm 100 "A PSALM OF THANKSGIVING"*

**NEXT WEEK: TESTIMONY AND POTLUCK FOLLOWING CHURCH**

*Sunday Morning Prayer 8:15-8:45*

*Sunday Morning 8-9 AM - Coffee and Donuts*

*9:30 AM - Wednesday AM Bible Study – 2 KINGS*

*6:30 PM - Thursday – No Study Thanksgiving Day*

*Bible Study of the GOSPEL OF MARK*

### KEEP YOUR EYES ON THE BALL

In football a player is told that to catch a pass he literally is to *look* the ball into his hands. Otherwise what might have been a touchdown and victory will be nothing more than an incomplete pass.

Jesus calls us to follow Him.

We gain the victory by keeping our eyes on Him.

During the Civil War someone is reported to have asked Abraham Lincoln, "Mr. President, do you think God is on our side?" He replied something like this, "My concern is whether or not we are on His side."

Herschel H. Hobbs

### THANKFULNESS

#### Observing Thanksgiving

"Count it all joy" (James 1:2).

Count your blessings instead of your crosses;

Count your gains instead of your losses.

Count your joys instead of your woes;

Count your friends instead of your foes.

Count your smiles instead of your tears;

Count your courage instead of your fears.

Count your full years instead of your lean;

Count your kind deeds instead of your mean.

Count your health instead of your wealth;

Count on God instead of yourself.

*A Treasury of Bible Illustrations*

Thanksgiving was never meant to be shut up in a single day.

Robert Caspar Lintner

Thanksgiving is a good thing, thanks-living is a better.

## THANKSGIVING - THE TRANSFORMED LIFE

Thanksgiving... comes from above. It is the gift that we cannot fabricate for ourselves. It is to be received. It is freely offered and asks to be freely received. That is where the choice is! We can choose to let the stranger [Christ] continue his journey and so remain a stranger. But we can also invite him into our inner lives, let him touch every part of our being and then transform our resentments into gratitude. We don't have to do this. In fact, most people don't. But as often as we make that choice, everything, even the most trivial things, become[s] new. Our little lives become great—part of the mysterious work of God's salvation. Once that happens, nothing is accidental, casual, or futile anymore. Even the most insignificant event speaks the language of faith, hope, and above all, love. That's the Eucharistic life, the life in which everything becomes a way of saying "Thank you" to him who joined us on the road.

Psalms 100:4; Luke 24:13-35; 2 Corinthians 9:15; Colossians 2:6-7

*Henri Nouwen - With Burning Hearts*

### THANKSGIVING; INTIMACY WITH JESUS CHRIST

Lastly, because most precious of all, is the friendship and communion of Jesus. He is the friend that sticketh closer than a brother and He has assured us that He will never leave us nor forsake us. Let this knowledge keep us ever thankful. We dare not take Jesus for granted. His love alone should keep the flame of our gratitude at white heat until that day when we shall be presented to the Father with exceeding joy.

Joshua 1:5; Proverbs 18:24; Hebrews 13:5; Jude 24-25

*The Price of Neglect - Tozer Topical Reader*

### Psalm 95:1–3 NAS95

<sup>1</sup>O come, let us sing for joy to the LORD, Let us shout joyfully to the rock of our salvation. <sup>2</sup> Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving, Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms. <sup>3</sup> For the LORD is a great God And a great King above all gods,

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.