

“BE GRATEFUL”

“Give thanks unto the Lord, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the people.

9) Sing unto him, sing psalms unto him, talk ye of all his wondrous works.

10) Glory ye in his holy name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord.

11) Seek the Lord and his strength, seek his face continually.

12) Remember his marvelous works that he hath done, his wonders, and the judgments of his mouth; (1 Chronicle 16:8-12)

With the burden of American Slavery lifted from the Negro, African Americans should show copious gratitude for what God has done. In too many instances, the further we have been separated from loathsome labor of being hewers of wood and drawers of water, the more we have demonstrated a spirit of ingratitude. We have become silent in our praise for what God did for us then and what he is doing for us now.

In the words of Walter Hawkins: “Be grateful.”

God has not promised me sunshine
That’s not the way it’s going to be
But a little rain
Mixed with God’s sunshine
A little pain
Makes me appreciate the good times
Be grateful

God desires to feel your longing
Every pain that you feel
He feels them just like you
But he can’t afford to let you feel only good
Then you can appreciate the good times
Be grateful
Because there’s someone else who’s worse off than you
Be grateful
Amen!

- I. First of all, text Teaches Us What We Should Give
- II. Second, What We Should Remember
- III. We Should Praise Him