

*Forget not God's blessings*

*Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits: Ps 103:2 (NKJ).* It is easy to complain about life, but look at this psalm 103, David gives us a long list of benefits and asking us do not forget His benefits. Why we need to bless the Lord and forget not all His benefits?. First of all He forgives our sins, He heals our diseases, redeems us from death, crowns us with love and compassion... and the list goes on, we receive all of these without deserving any of them. We need to remember all those benefits and be thankful unto the Lord.

*Remember Do not forget how you provoked the LORD your God to wrath in the wilderness. From the day that you departed from the land of Egypt until you came to this place, you have been rebellious against the LORD. Deut 9:7 (NKJ).* The Israelites worshiped the golden calf and provoked God? How do we provoke the Lord? By going back to our old life and not being thankful for the change the Lord had brought about in us. Enter into the new year with a thankful heart.

*Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name. But do not forget to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased. Heb 13: 15-16 (NKJ)*

The believers' sacrifices are praise, doing good, and sharing. The sacrifice of praise is thanking Christ for His sacrifice on the cross and telling others about it. When we have resources and the Lord has blessed us, we have a responsibility to share it with others.

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