



"The Chief of Sinners"

Acts 8:1-4

September 1, 2024

SERMON REVIEW

To grow in gratitude...

1. Remember the _____ things. (Acts 7:54-8:4; 9:1-2)
2. Remember the _____ things. (I Timothy 1:12-17)

To express that gratitude...

1. Give _____ about God's grace in your life.
2. Give _____ in service to the Lord.
3. Give _____ in the study of the Messiah.
4. Give _____ in prayer, song and fellowship!

Was any point in this weekend's message or portion of Scripture particularly challenging, encouraging or helpful for you?

Why did God want you to hear this message now?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. Saul is a striking example of a persecutor of the church becoming one of its greatest advocates. Have you observed any comparable modern day turnarounds? Or, was there ever a time when you ravaged or tried to tear down the church of God?
2. The “Before & After” of every believer is portrayed in Titus 3:1-8. Reflecting on that passage, comment on what life was like before and after Christ. How can this practice lead you forth in thanksgiving?
3. Following up on the first question, where do you ever find yourself tempted to go back into the old manner of things. Perhaps this coming election season will stir things up. How do the truths of this passage encourage and equip you?
4. Paul considered himself the foremost, or chief of sinners (I Timothy 1:15-16). Do you think he meant this figuratively or literally? How does a person come to a heightened awareness of their sin? And how might such an awareness result in the upwelling of worship we see throughout I Timothy? (See 1:17; 3:14-16; 4:10; 6:13-16.)
5. Of the four applications given at the close of the message, in which are you doing well? How can you help others in that area? In which are you most in need of growth? Where do you need to be prayed for and spurred on?