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4 Times Jesus Offered Thanks

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I. Jesus lived under a law that in repeated ways ascribed praise and thanks to God. In our days of ingratitude, it might be well both for information and immutation to study 4 times Jesus gave thanks.

II. These 4 occasions were:

A. About the simplicity of salvation.
   Matt. 11:25 "At that time Jesus a. & s.
   1. The word used here means more to profess, confess, give glory to.
   2. Note these facts.
      a. Father is Lord of Heaven and earth.
      b. Quality of hiding & revealing His.
      c. Wise & prudent vs. babes.
   3. Conclusion. Qualified force speaks and is understood by the proper heart.

B. For the commuting of what we have to Himself.
   John 6:11 "And Jesus took the loaves and
   1. This is the story of the 5000 fed with 5 barley loaves & 2 fishes.
   2. Jesus was thankful for what he sur-
render, even if it was small. Multum in
Parvo - much out of lit.t.e
3. God can use your little - if you really
believe in Him.

Bumps
1. 1st thank - then miracle
5. Need of table spread in the
wilderness - use your influence.

C. For sacrifice.
Matt. 26:27 "And he took the cup and gave
Acts 5:41 "And they departed from the
1. Are we even thankful for the Supper,
much less the sacrifice it entails.

2) Sacrifice clip - see
6) Neighbour (dog)

D. For God and His power.
John 11:41 "Then they took away the stone
1. Power from God - union c God,
will use what he gives to his
 glory - will you?
2. Thankful God hears - in prayer

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M. H. Hunter - Rest Mrs. Elva Hundtworth Bapt.
Mrs. Hambleton - Rest Franklin Ralph 9/13/49
Chris. Warren - P.M. Nambour, 11/6/57 (Ricky Davis Bapt.)
The seal of the American Baptist Missionary Union is most significant. There is an altar; there is a plow; there is an ox. And underneath this legend is written: "Ready for either." Ready for the plow, to drag the long and weary furrow; ready for the altar, if thou wouldst lay me in sacrifice; and, either way, given over to thy use, O Christ. And what is given thus Christ designs to use. And what his hand grasps for his using is an honor.

—THE MINISTERS MANUAL FOR 1957, p. 252
Calling the Balls and Strikes

A BIG-LEAGUE umpire once said that he could never understand how the crowds in the bleachers, 50 to 300 feet from home plate, could call the balls and the strikes better than he could when he was only a few feet away. The reason, of course, is that men yell for what they want a thing to be rather than for what it really is. This is the same thought that leads someone to say that God cannot do this or that; if God did so and so, He would not be just!

From a tiny corner of earth, without any insight as to the motives that guide men or that cause God to announce judgment, there are those who wish to be God themselves. This is the reason why men bring the umpire under their judgment, and this is the reason why men bring God under their judgment.

Under the rules of baseball the umpire is always right, even when he might be wrong. Under the rules of the absolute God, He is always right, because He could never be wrong.

—Eternity
The Last Word

A certain man was more than a little annoyed when a neighbor telephoned at 3 a.m. and com-
plained, "Your dog is barking so loudly that I can't sleep!"

So he thought he'd get even. The next morning at 3 a.m. he called his neighbor and said, "I don't have a dog."

Mrs. Henry Sherrer, Texas.
Appreciation is the fine oil that lubricates all the weary wheels of human emotions.
Reason to ‘Beller’

A proud father was looking through the big plate glass window of the hospital’s infant ward. Every baby there was crying.

“What’s the matter with ’em?” he asked the nurse.

“Look, Mister!” growled the nurse, “If you were new in this world and hungry and out of a job and just found out that you owed the government $9,752.13 for its back debts, you’d be bawling, too.”
A little boy was leading his sister up a mountain path. "Why," she complained, "it's not a path at all. It's all rocky and bumpy." "Sure," he said, "the bumps are what you climb on."

—MINISTERS MANUAL FOR 1957, p. 204