NORTHWEST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sermon Discussion Questions: November 22, 2026
God Is Good, & We Thank Him

Call to Worship: Psalm 145:8-13

1. AI Question: When have you experienced God's patience or slowness to anger during a mistake or struggle?

2. In what sense was the kingdom lost when Adam and Eve sinned, and in what sense has the Lord always been King?

Sermon: Psalm 100

1. Pastor Paul said that "Greatness without goodness would be terrifying." Where in scripture do we see that terrifying combination?

2. How could you respond to the claim that the God of the Old Testament is righteous and stern, and the God of the New Testament is compassionate and empathetic?

3. Besides Sunday morning worship, is there a time that you make a joyful noise unto the Lord?

4. When you realize that you are serving the Lord without gladness, do you have a strategy for reorienting your attitude?

5. Is it sinful to serve the Lord without gladness?

6. Singing alone can certainly lift our hearts. What are the special blessings of singing corporately?

7. God deals with our sins and enables us to fulfill our potential. Where do we see this in scripture?

8. In John 10:14-16, Jesus uses a shepherding metaphor.
    a. Why is this metaphor very common in both the Old and New Testaments?
    b. In verses 14 & 15, Jesus makes the incredible claim that intimacy between Him and his followers is as close at that between Him and his Father. Do you believe that level of intimacy already exists, or is it something Jesus' followers will experience after the resurrection?

9. The command in verse 4 applies literally to the Jewish temple. How can we apply it to our worship time?

10. We usually think of blessing as something God conveys on men. How can we bless God's name? (Hint: Review Hebrews 13:15-16.)

11. If you have a tradition of expressing thanks to God (besides saying grace) as part of your Thanksgiving holiday celebration, share it with the group.

12. Read Lamentations 3:22-24. Imagine Jerusalem after the Babylonian invasion. How could Jeremiah express this sentiment when all of his senses were overwhelmed with horror?

13. Let's say you don't have any kids involved with the youth ministry. How are some ways you might still support the ministry?

Prayer Points:

- Ask God to strip away self-centeredness from our hearts, filling us with gladness and thanksgiving for His daily provision and grace.

- Seek the Lord for deep brotherly affection, humility, and kingdom partnership between our churches in this building and other churches in our area that share the mission.

1. If you were to make an early new-year's resolution regarding carrying out this bullet point, what might it be?

- Pray with joy-filled trust for the next generation in our congregations, resting in the promise that God’s goodness and steadfast love will carry them through every season ahead.