

The Church in The Last Days

the apostle Paul's first letter to Timothy / 1:12-17

The Church in The Last Days is _____ . (12a)

What are we, collectively and individually, to be thankful for?

We are to ...

1. Be thankful for God's _____ .

a. With an emphatic _____ .

I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, that He considered me trustworthy, appointing me to His service. (12)

b. Because of His surprising _____ .

Even though I was once a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent man, *I was shown mercy* because I acted in ignorance and unbelief. (13)

c. All because of His amazing _____ .

The grace of our Lord was poured out on me abundantly, along with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. (14)

* ... because of His great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in transgressions – it is by grace you have been saved. (Ephesians 2:4-5)

2. Be thankful for our _____ .

a. To communicate the Gospel _____ .

Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance:
Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners – of whom I am the worst. (15)

b. To illustrate this message through living _____ .

But for that very reason I was shown mercy so that in me, the worst of sinners, Christ Jesus might display His immense patience *as an example* for those would believe in Him and receive eternal life. (16)

c. To validate our one true _____ .

Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, *be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen. (17)*

* "You are the light of the world ... let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." (Matthew 5:14-16)

Rejoice always ... give _____ in all circumstances;

for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

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