Pastor Grant Van Leuven PECA Thanksgiving Day Sermon Outline on Psalm 30:4, Nov. 28, 2013

Intro:

Main Point of Text: Those who have been made holy by God should remember to thank Him for His

holiness.

<u>Sermon Point:</u> Thank God for His Holiness.

Move 1: God's holiness is the most important reason to be thankful for Him.

<u>30:4</u>: holiness of God cause of thanksgiving. Holiness: separateness, sacred purity. <u>Isa. 6:1-4</u>. It is marvelous to think on God's glorious holiness and be moved to thank Him for it:

- Ps. 97:12: Rejoice in the LORD, ye righteous; and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness.
- When do, will obey/experience Ps. 29:2; 96:9: ... worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

Move 2: God's making you holy is a reason to be thankful to Him.

"Saints": Psalter, "holy ones". "of His". God makes His Own people holy: ... that we might be partakers of his holiness ... without which no man shall see the Lord: (Heb 12:10, 14). He supplies what requires:

- Ps. 110:3; Isa 47:4.
- <u>Isaiah 6:5-7</u> Ex. 28:36, Aaron in "Holy of Holies"; head plate: "Holiness to the LORD".
- Why Christians in NT called "saints", even in Corinth!: Eph. 2:20-22; Ps. 11:4; Rev. 15:3; 19:8.

Move 3: Remember the Holy One's gift to be thankful and grow in holy service.

"remembrance". Forgetting about God's holiness leads to ungratefulness and uncleanness. Titus 3:5-6: Holy Spirit has washed you w/ blood of Christ. H. Bavink: "Whatever is holy lives a peculiar life, bears a peculiar character, has been separated from the common sphere ...". Saints live holiness:

- ... <u>holiness</u> becometh thine house, O LORD, for ever. (Ps. 93:5)
- Lk. 1:73-75; 2 Cor. 7:1; Eph. 4:24; 1 Th. 4:7.
- But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy. (1 Pet. 1:15-17; Lev. 11:44, 45; 19:2; 20:7).

Conclusion:

Giving thanks is the remedy against unholiness. Eph. 5:3-4. Remembering holiness brings gratitude.

Thank God for His holiness.