



# 'GRAB BAG' #7

Being Grateful  
(In This Woke, Cancel-  
Culture Society)



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1. Reject Personal Victimhood  
and Embrace Challenges with  
God! (*Philippians 1:12-14,*  
*Romans 14:12*)

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Philippians 1:12 I want you to know,  
brothers, that what has happened  
to me has really served to advance  
the gospel,

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<sup>13</sup> so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ.



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<sup>14</sup> And most of the brothers, having become confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without fear.



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Romans 14:12 So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.



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2. Remember God's Past  
Deliverance for You (and  
Your Family)

*(Psalm 143:3-6)*



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Psalm 143:3 For the enemy has pursued my soul; he has crushed my life to the ground; he has made me sit in darkness like those long dead.



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<sup>4</sup> Therefore my spirit faints  
within me; my heart within  
me is appalled.

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<sup>5</sup> I remember the days of  
old; I meditate on all that  
you have done; I ponder the  
work of your hands.



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<sup>6</sup> I stretch out my hands  
to you; my soul thirsts for  
you like a parched land.

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3. Replace Your 'Sourness'  
with Encouragement  
(*Psalm 73:1-9, 21,*  
KEY 16-19, 23-24)



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Psalm 73:1 Truly God is  
good to Israel, to those  
who are pure in heart.

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<sup>2</sup> But as for me, my feet had almost stumbled, my steps had nearly slipped.



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<sup>3</sup> For I was envious of the arrogant when I saw the prosperity of the wicked.

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<sup>4</sup> For they have no pangs  
until death; their bodies  
are fat and sleek.



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<sup>5</sup> They are not in trouble as others are; they are not stricken like the rest of mankind.

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<sup>6</sup> Therefore pride is their necklace; violence covers them as a garment.



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<sup>7</sup> Their eyes swell out  
through fatness; their  
hearts overflow with follies.

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<sup>8</sup> They scoff and speak  
with malice; loftily they  
threaten oppression.



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<sup>9</sup> They set their mouths  
against the heavens, and  
their tongue struts through  
the earth.

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21 When my soul was  
embittered, when I was  
pricked in heart,



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<sup>16</sup> But when I thought how to understand this, it seemed to me a wearisome task,

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17 until I went into the  
sanctuary of God; then  
I discerned their end.

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18 Truly you set them  
in slippery places; you  
make them fall to ruin.



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19 How they are  
destroyed in a moment,  
swept away utterly  
by terrors!

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<sup>23</sup> Nevertheless, I am  
continually with you;  
you hold my right hand.

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<sup>24</sup> You guide me with your  
counsel, and afterward you  
will receive me to glory.



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4. Recommit to Being

'Salt' & 'Light'

*(Matthew 5:13-16)*

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Matt. 5:13 “You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet.

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14 “You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden.



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<sup>15</sup> Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house.

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<sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

