



# ON EAGLES' WINGS

Exodus 19:4

## AN OFFERING OF THANKSGIVING

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# 2024 Important Broad Promises Revealed

*Psalm 23: 1-6*

**God is our shepherd,  
He will position us and  
make our cup overflow.**

*Exodus 19:4*

**God will carry us on  
eagles' wings, no  
matter what comes up.**

*Ecclesiastes 12:13*

**Our only role is to fear  
God, listen to the Holy  
Spirit, in us, and obey  
His command.**

# Exodus 19:4, God recounts how He has carried Israel on eagles' wings:

*4 'You yourselves have seen what I did to Egypt, and how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself.'*

*vs 5-6*

*'5 Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, 6 you will be for Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.'*

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An offering of thanksgiving happens in a combination of 3-points: Heart; Word; and Substance. “I will thank the Lord at all times” (Psalm 34:1)

## #1 HEART

**1 Thessalonians 5:18** “Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.”

## #2 WORD (Verbalize your thanksgiving and be specific)

When you verbalize, be specific on what you are thanking God for.

**John 11:41-43** “Jesus said, “Father, thank you that you have heard my prayer, for you listen to every word I speak”.

**Matthew 11:25-27** “Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children”

**Philippians 4:6** “in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.”

Colossians 1:3 Paul said, “<sup>3</sup> We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, <sup>4</sup> because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all God’s people



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## #3 SUBSTANCE:

**2 Corinthians 9:11-12** “<sup>11</sup>You will be enriched in every way to be generous on every occasion, so that ... your giving will produce thanksgiving to God. <sup>12</sup>For this ministry of service is not only supplying the needs of the saints, but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanksgiving to God”

**Above scripture shows us two kinds of offering of thanksgiving from substance:**

**A.** Focused on supplying the Needs of the Saints (all forms of giving done in church).

**B.** Geared towards producing overflowing expressions of thanksgiving to God (all forms of giving done in people's life).

**For B, Jesus said:**

**Matthew 25:35-40** “<sup>35</sup> For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, <sup>36</sup> I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.”

**<sup>37</sup>“Then the righteous will answer Him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you**

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‘...or thirsty and give you something to drink? <sup>38</sup> When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? <sup>39</sup> When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’

<sup>40</sup> “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’

**Since B so important, it makes sense to do it increasingly now with a spiritual ‘purpose’, rather than just a ‘favour-based’ intention.**

**If it must be purpose-driven, then critical questions must be asked:**

- 1. What should we give?**
- 2. Whom should we give to?**
- 3. How should we give it?**
- 4. When should we give it?**

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## What Should We Give To?

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### Isaiah 58:7

Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

## Whom Should We Give To?

1 John 4:1

Do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God.

- The person is saved - Salvation
- The need is specific
- The person is your kin

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**How should we give it?**

**Matthew 6:3**

“when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing”

**When should we give it?**

**Luke 14:12-14**

“<sup>1</sup>Then Jesus said to his host, “When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or sisters, your relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. <sup>13</sup> But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, <sup>14</sup> and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

**Leviticus 19:9-10** “<sup>9</sup> “When you reap the harvest of your land, do not reap to the very edges of your field or gather the gleanings of your harvest. <sup>10</sup> Do not go over your vineyard a second time or pick up the grapes that have fallen. Leave them for the poor and the foreigner. I am the LORD your God.”



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**Matthew 5:23** “if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, **24**leave your gift there before the altar. First go and be reconciled to your brother; then come and offer your gift.

## Conclusion

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***God Bless you.***

A stylized landscape illustration. The foreground features rolling green hills in various shades of green. On the left, a tree with a dark brown trunk and several large, rounded, purple and pink blossoms stands on a small hill. Below the tree, there are several orange and brown rounded shapes, possibly representing pumpkins or autumn leaves. The background consists of layered, wavy bands of light blue and white, suggesting a sky or distant hills. The overall style is flat and graphic.

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