Resolved by Faith in the Face of Fear

Psalm 138:1-3

Pervasive Fear

Fear of sickness, disease, disability Fear of death, dying Fear of losing a job, a friend, a child, a spouse Fear of financial ruin Fear of change Fear of loneliness Fear of the future

I will give You thanks with all my heart;
 I will sing praises to You before the gods.

 I will bow down toward Your holy temple and give thanks to Your name for Your lovingkindness and Your truth;
 For You have magnified Your word according to all Your name.
 On the day I called, You answered me;
 You made me bold with strength in my soul.

- ⁴ All the kings of the earth will give thanks to You, O LORD, When they have heard the words of Your mouth. ⁵ And they will sing of the ways of the LORD, For great is the glory of the LORD. ⁶ For though the LORD is exalted, Yet He regards the lowly,
- But the haughty He knows from afar.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble,
 You will revive me; You will stretch forth Your hand against the wrath of my enemies, and Your right hand will save me.
 The LORD will accomplish what concerns me; Your lovingkindness, O LORD, is everlasting; Do not forsake the works of Your hands.

Our Theme

In a world filled with uncertainty, we must resolve to help one another face our fears with faith.

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Resolved to Give Thanks

Psalm 138:1-3

1 Will give You thanks with all my heart;

I will sing praises to You before the gods.

² I will bow down toward Your holy temple and give thanks to Your name for Your lovingkindness and Your truth;

For You have magnified Your word according to all Your name.

³ On the day I called, You answered me;

You made me bold with strength in my soul.

Resolved to give thanks...

With my whole heart!

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You made me bold with strength in my soul.

Thanksgiving with a whole heart!

With your mind!
With your emotions!
With your will!

Resolved to give thanks...

With my whole heart!

"To Your name"

I will give You thanks with all my heart;
 I will sing praises to You before the gods.

 I will bow down toward Your holy temple and give thanks to Your name for Your lovingkindness and Your truth;
 For You have magnified Your word according to all Your name.
 On the day I called, You answered me;
 You made me bold with strength in my soul.

¹ I will give You thanks with all my heart; I will sing praises to You before the gods.

2 I will bow down toward Your holy temple and give thanks to Your name for Your lovingkindness and Your truth;

The name of God reveals His nature and indicates His character.

We give thanks to Him for who He IS.

Resolved to give thanks...

With my whole heart!

"To Your name"

For Your lovingkindness, Your faithfulness, and Your word.

¹ I will give You thanks with all my heart; I will sing praises to You before the gods.

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You Covenant Love

Psalm 138:1-3

¹ I will give You thanks with all my heart; I will sing praises to You before the gods.

² I will bow down toward Your holy temple and give thanks to Your name for Your lovingkindness and Your truth;

Your Faithfulness

Psalm 138:1-3

¹ I will give You thanks with all my heart; I will sing praises to You before the gods.

² I will bow down toward Your holy temple and give thanks to Your name for Your lovingkindness and Your truth;

Your Word

Psalm 138:1-3

¹ I will give You thanks with all my heart; I will sing praises to You before the gods.

² I will bow down toward Your holy temple and give thanks

to Your name for Your lovingkindness and Your faithfulness;

For You have magnified Your word

according to all Your name.

3 On the day I called, You answered me;
You made me bold with strength in my soul.

Your Promises

Psalm 138:1-3

¹ I will give You thanks with all my heart; I will sing praises to You before the gods.

² I will bow down toward Your holy temple and **give thanks** to Your name for Your lovingkindness and Your faithfulness;

For You have magnified Your promise

according to all Your name.

³ On the day I called, You answered me;
You made me bold with strength in my soul.

Our Resolution of Faith

In a world filled with loss, we resolve to help one another give thanks to our God!

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I will give thanks!

I will worship!

I will give You thanks with all my heart;
 I will sing praises to You before the gods.

 I will bow down toward Your holy temple and give thanks to Your name for Your lovingkindness and Your truth;
 For You have magnified Your word according to all Your name.
 On the day I called, You answered me;
 You made me bold with strength in my soul.

Resolved to Worship!

Psalm 138:1-3

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I will sing praises to You before the gods.

² I will bow down toward Your holy temple and give thanks to Your name for Your lovingkindness and Your truth;
 For You have magnified Your word according to all Your name.
 ³ On the day I called, You answered me;
 You made me bold with strength in my soul.

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¹ I will give You thanks with all my heart;

I will sing praises to You before the gods. 2 I will bow down toward Your holy temple and give thanks

to Your name for Your lovingkindness and Your truth;
For You have magnified Your word according to all Your name.

3 On the day I called, You answered me;
You made me bold with strength in my soul.

Resolved to worship...

In defiance of false gods.

I will give You thanks with all my heart;
 I will sing praises to You before the gods.

 I will bow down toward Your holy temple and give thanks to Your name for Your lovingkindness and Your truth;
 For You have magnified Your word according to all Your name.
 On the day I called, You answered me;
 You made me bold with strength in my soul.

Defiant Devotion

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 For You have magnified Your word according to all Your name.
 ³ On the day I called, You answered me;
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Resolved to worship...

In defiance of false gods.

With songs of praise.

Resolved to Sing

Psalm 138:1-3

¹ I will give You thanks with all my heart;

Will Sing praises to You before the gods.

² I will bow down toward Your holy temple and give thanks to Your name for Your lovingkindness and Your truth;
 For You have magnified Your word according to all Your name.
 ³ On the day I called, You answered me;
 You made me bold with strength in my soul.

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Resolved to worship...

In defiance of false gods.

With songs of praise!

In a posture of dependence.

¹ I will give You thanks with all my heart; I will sing praises to You before the gods.

² I will bow down toward Your holy temple and give thanks

to Your name for Your lovingkindness and Your truth;
For You have magnified Your word according to all Your name.

3 On the day I called, You answered me;
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to Your name for Your lovingkindness and Your truth; For You have magnified Your word according to all Your name. ³ On the day I called, You answered me; You made me bold with strength in my soul.

In this context, the act of bowing is an act of humble dependence.

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For You have magnified Your word according to all Your name.

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You made me bold with strength in my soul.

We no longer bow toward a physical temple.

We bow to the true and living temple of God, Jesus Christ.

John 1:14

And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.

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And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us,

and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 1:14

And the Word became flesh, and tabernacled among us,

and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 2:19

Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up."

Though Jesus is our heavenly Temple, He has made **us** to be His earthly temple.

Ephesians 2:19-22

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints, and are of God's household, having been built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the corner stone, in whom the whole building, being fitted together is growing into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are being built together into a dwelling of God in the Spirit.

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in whom you also are being built together into a dwelling of God in the Spirit.

So it is right that we would long to be together for worship!

Our Resolution of Faith

In a world filled with worthless gods, we resolve to help one another put away idols and worship the one true God.

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I will give thanks!
I will worship!

I will pray!

Psalm 138:3

On the day I called, You answered me; You made me bold with strength in my soul.

Resolved to Pray

Psalm 138:3

On the day I called, You answered me;

You made me bold with strength in my soul.

Resolved to pray...

With confidence!

Psalm 138:3 On the day <u>I called</u>, You answered me;

You made me bold with strength in my soul.

Psalm 138:3

On the day I called, You answered me;

You made me bold with strength in my soul.

Resolved to pray...

With confidence!

For strength of soul!

Psalm 138:3 On the day I called, You answered me;

You made me bold with strength in my soul.

Psalm 138:3

On the day I called, You answered me;

You made me bold with strength

in my soul.

Psalm 138:3

On the day I called, You answered me;

You made me bold with strength

in my soul

The strength you need most now is not physical strength but strength of soul.

On the day I called, you answered me; my strength of soul you increased.

A Resolution of Faith

In a world filled with fear, we resolve to help one another pray fervently in faith believing that God will answer.

Concluding Thoughts:

Thanksgiving to God is one of the great weapons we have been given to combat fear. Worship will be salve to your soul in times of worry and distress.

Prayer is **you** coming into the presence of God knowing that **He** is always present with you.