BLESS HIS HOLY NAME!

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Psa. 103:1 Bless the LORD, O my soul; And all that is within me, *bless* His holy name!

One of the reasons we admire the Psalms so much is that they verbalise superbly what we often sense but cannot find words to manifest. This is particularly true in the case of the 103rd Psalm. In its majestic flow of thanksgiving, we read sentiments that mirror our own most profound emotions of gratitude. Here we call on our **soul** to **bless the LORD**—and by our **soul**, we mean not just the non-material part of ourselves but the entire individual. Soul, spirit, and body are cued in to bless the **holy name** of Yahweh.

To our God, we are not anonymous, faceless specs in an unending sea of people. The world likes to claim the incredible promise of Romans 8:28 for itself, but in reality, it applies only to us, "those who love God . . . those who are the called." We should be aware that this is something to be much grateful for! Each one of us is in His palm! Our Lord commands us to give thanks because it is excellent for *us*. Those of us who are convinced that God rules over every situation has a distinct advantage over those who believe things happen randomly.

The Bible says in **1Peter 2:9** But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, <u>His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him</u> who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. Believers today are a chosen generation, chosen by God before the foundation of the world, to belong to Christ. If one can grasp the truth of this marvelous fact, All that is within me, will bless His holy name!

At His service, Pr. Teddy Santos