

Recipe for Abundant Thanksgiving Blessings

My friend stopped by the other day. We sat at the kitchen table and chatted. She rummaged in her purse. "You have to see the pictures I took during our trip," she said.

I smiled.

"Oops," she added, "I always forget you—well—that you can't see."

"I forget myself," I said with a chuckle. (I like folks with a sense of humor.)

For me, having no sight is a way of life—actually, a wonderfully blessed life. My days sweep by with gratitude, so much thankfulness that I can hear, walk, talk and love. I am truly rich with so much.

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And for that reason, I thought I'd share my unique recipe for this Thanksgiving dinner. I don't mind if you copy it and serve it to your loved ones.

1. Gather the ingredients stored in the cabinet of God's Word.
2. Stir together large portions of His promises, spoonfuls of His direction and dashes of His admonitions.
3. Place in a large bowl several cups of commitment to read His Word.
4. Add generous amounts of faith to cover all traces of doubt.
5. Blend together, adding sprinkles of laughter, of

enjoyment, fun and unexpected surprises.

6. Bake in the oven of your heart till triumph is golden brown.

With songs of thanksgiving playing in the background, present it to the guests who come into your life. And unlike the rest of the world, instead of entering the doors to stress, gloom or anxiety for the days to come, "Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise; be thankful to Him, and bless His name" (Ps. 100:4).

Why? "For the LORD is good; His mercy endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations" (Ps. 100:5).

It's your turn. Can you share (via comment) some things you'll be giving thanks for this year? I'd love to read them.

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