Awe Respect Reverence Gratitude

- A healthy relationship with God is based on two important foundations.
- 1st Awe reverence and respect
- 2nd Gratitude
- For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse, 21 because, although they knew God, they did not <u>glorify Him as God</u>, nor were <u>thankful</u>, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened. Rom 1:20-22

Natural Affection – Must be Expressed

- Industries that attest this truth:
 - -Florists
 - -Jewelry
 - -Special Days:
 - -Record Industry

- Greeting Cards Candy Birthdays, Anniversaries Movies, Books
- Natural Affection:
 - -Words of Love, respect, gratitude, praise
 - -Special times together
 - -Relationships grow or wilt
 - -Remembering Events
 - -Those who reject natural affection is stunted

Love Demands Expression

- It is not good for man to be alone Gen 2:18
 - -Admire and be admired;
 - -Love and be loved
 - -Respect and be respected
 - -Need and be needed
 - -Appreciate and be appreciated
- These needs fulfilled through family, friends, brethren and God.

Is it Different with God?

- Do our emotions interface with God differently than with man?
- Does love and devotion for God work differently?
- 21 because, although they knew God, <u>they</u> <u>did not glorify Him as God</u>, nor were <u>thankful</u>, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened.

Commands to be Thankful

- in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. <u>1Th. 5:17-18</u>
- giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, <u>Eph. 5:20</u>
- and let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful.... 17 And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him. <u>Col. 3:15,17</u>
- Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name. <u>Heb. 13:15</u>

Hallowed be Thy Name

- In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. <u>Mt 6:9</u>
 one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples." 2 So He said to them, "When you pray, say: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name." <u>Luke 11:1-2</u>
- These are critical things to monitor in our prayers.
- Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end <u>Eph. 6:18</u>
- Continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant in it with thanksgiving; <u>Col. 4:2</u>

Hallowed be Thy Name

- Sanctify, set apart, regard as holy, consecrate
- *Reverence, respect, hold in awe and devotion*
- The manner we hallow His name is of the highest importance. Not just words
- Emotions of Love, Respect, Reverence
- "This is what the Lord spoke, saying: 'By those who come near Me I must be regarded as holy; And before all the people I must be glorified."" <u>Lev 10:3</u>

HOW?

- Just say "hallowed be your name?"
- Easily becomes "vain repetition"
- Words without meaning.
- How did others Hallow God's Name?

Ps 103:1-5

- Bless the Lord, O my soul
- And all that is within me
- bless His holy name!
- forget not all His benefits
- forgives all your iniquities
- heals all your diseases
- redeems your life from destruction,
- crowns you with lovingkindness / mercies
- Who satisfies your mouth with good things

Moses

• O Lord GOD, You have begun to show Your servant Your greatness and Your mighty hand, for what god is there in heaven or on earth who can do anything like Your works and Your mighty deeds?" Deut 3:24

Jer 32:17-19

- Ah, Lord GOD!
- You have made the heavens and the earth by Your great power and outstretched arm.
- There is nothing too hard for You.
- You show loving kindness
- the Great, the Mighty God, whose name is the LORD of hosts.
- You are great in counsel and mighty in work,
- your eyes are open to all the ways of the sons of men

Daniel

• And I prayed to the LORD my God, and made confession, and said, "O Lord, great and awesome God, who keeps His covenant and mercy with those who love Him, and with those who keep His commandments" <u>Dan 9:4</u>

David

Both riches and honor come from You, and You reign over all. In Your hand is power and might; in Your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all. 13 Now therefore, our God, we thank You and praise Your glorious name." <u>1 Chr 29:12-13</u>

David

Therefore David blessed the LORD before all the assembly; and David said: "Blessed are You, LORD God of Israel, our Father, forever and ever. 11 Yours, O LORD, is the greatness, the power and the glory, the victory and the majesty; for all that is in heaven and in earth is Yours; yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and You are exalted as head over all. 1 Chr 29:10-11

Apostles

• And they prayed, and said, Thou, Lord, who knows the hearts of all men, show of these two the one whom thou hast chosen, <u>Acts</u> <u>1:24</u>

• And they, when they heard it, lifted up their voice to God with one accord, and said, O Lord, you that did make the heaven and the earth and the sea, and all that in them is: Acts 4:24

lsaiah

• O Lord, You are my God. I will exalt You, I will praise Your name, For You have done wonderful things; Your counsels of old are faithfulness and truth. You have been a strength to the poor, A strength to the needy in his distress, A refuge from the storm, A shade from the heat; Isa 25:1-4

Ps 145:1-7

• I will extol You, my God, O King; And I will bless Your name forever and ever. 2 Every day I will bless You, And I will praise Your name forever and ever. 3 Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; And His greatness is unsearchable. 4 One generation shall praise Your works to another, And shall declare Your mighty acts. Ps 145:1-7

Ps 145:1-7

• I will meditate on the glorious splendor of Your majesty, And on Your wondrous works.6 Men shall speak of the might of Your awesome acts, And I will declare Your greatness.7 They shall utter the memory of Your great goodness, And shall sing of Your righteousness. Ps 145:1-7

Jehosaphat

• O Lord God of our fathers, are You not God in heaven, and do You not rule over all the kingdoms of the nations, and in Your hand is there not power and might, so that no one is able to withstand You? 7 Are You not our God, who drove out the inhabitants of this land before Your people Israel, and gave it to the descendants of Abraham Your friend forever? 2 Chron 20:6-8

Hannah

- "No one is holy like the Lord,
- For there is none besides You,
- Nor is there any rock like our God.
- 1 Sam 2:2

Hallowed Be Your Name

- Taking a few moments at the beginning
- Contemplating the greatness of God
- Expressing it to him.
- Differs by mood and circumstances
 - -Glorious praise and adoration
 - -Grave need for power and strength
 - -Joyous and Gladness
 - -Mercy and Forgiveness

Hallowed be Thy Name / Gratitude

- His Creation
- His redemption
- His mercy and compassion
- His omnipotence and glory
- His holy name!
- His forgiveness
- His plan of salvation
- Our future glory