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The Lord wants you to experience real and abundant life:

1 Pt. 5:10 *And the God of all grace, Who called you to His eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will Himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast.* (NIV)

Restoration, strengthening, establishing and settling are all things that God is doing in us and through us as we abide in Him. Peter had experienced many times when his lack of faith had kept him from experiencing the power of God. This comes from His perfect grace that we can experience at salvation. He is calling everyone to come to Him and to enjoy His glory. This is the glory that brings a pure character, a perfected walk, complete and victorious living, reflecting the glory of the Father, and enjoying the perfect and consistent presence of God.

In this season of Thanksgiving (and all seasons), we should be giving Him the honor and praise that He is due. We should be living a thankful life. We should be drawing all attention to the One Who has done everything for us. And He is not finished with us yet. He wants to restore our perfect relationship with Him as it was prior to sin in the world. He wants to strengthen us for the daily trials we will face. He wants us to be firm and steadfast. This reminds me of my favorite verse in **Ps. 1:1-3** *Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers, but whose delight is in the law of the LORD, and who meditates on His law day and night. That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither--whatever they do prospers.* (NIV)

Dear LORD, thank You LORD for all that You have done for me. I don't deserve Your forgiveness and grace, but I am so grateful and thankful for Your love for me. Help me to walk that out in the presence of those around me. In Jesus Name, Amen