

## The Prayer of Thanksgiving

1 This is the prayer they said:

We give thanks to you,  
Every life and heart stretches toward  
You,

O name, untroubled,  
Honored with the name of God,  
Praised with the name of Father.

2 To everyone and everything  
Comes the kindness of the Father,  
And love  
And desire.

3 And if there is a sweet and simple  
Teaching,  
It gifts us mind, word, and  
Knowledge:  
Mind, that we may understand you;  
Word, that we may interpret you;  
Knowledge, that we may know you.

4 We rejoice and are enlightened by your  
Knowledge.  
We rejoice that you have taught us  
About yourself.

5 We rejoice that in the body  
You have made us divine\* through your  
Knowledge.

6 The thanksgiving of the human who  
reaches you  
is this alone,  
that we know you.

7 We have known you,  
O light of mind.  
O light of life  
we have known you.

8 O womb of all that grows,  
we have known you,

9 O womb pregnant with the nature of  
the Father,  
we have known you,

10 O never-ending endurance of the  
Father who gives birth,  
so we worship your goodness.

11 One wish we ask:  
We wish to be protected in knowledge.

12 One protection we desire:  
That we not stumble in this life

13 When they said these things in prayers,  
they welcomed one another, and they went  
to eat their holy food, which had no blood  
in it.

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Here *divine* can also be translated as “gods”; see Psalm 82:6 John 10:34-35

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