

In **EVERYTHING** **GIVE THANKS**

¹⁶ Rejoice always, ¹⁷ pray without ceasing, ¹⁸
in everything give thanks; for this is the
will of God in Christ Jesus for you. —
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (NKJV)

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- Our culture encourages us to be discontent with who we are & what we have -
- Instead of appreciating the gifts, blessings and talents that we do have, much of our modern culture tries to get us to compare what we have with what others have.



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Romans 1:21 (NKJV)

²¹ because, although they knew God, they did not glorify *Him* as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened.



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INGRATITUDE Is A SIN

2 Timothy 3:2–4 (NKJV)

² For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, ³ unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, ⁴ traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God,





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WHY Are People
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WHY Are People **UNGRATEFUL**?



- Grows out of pride & a self-centered, entitlement perspective.
- Manifests a lack of respect for GOD!
- Faith, hope nor love can germinate in an ungrateful heart!

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**We Have MUCH To
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- Most IMPORTANTLY - Every spiritual blessing we have in Christ - Eph 1:2-14
- Our familial relationships - 2 Tim 1:3-5
- Faithful brethren - Col 1:3
- Every material blessing - our country & daily provisions - 1 Tim. 4:3-5
- Our struggles & difficulties in life - James 1:2-6
- EVERYTHING from God!- James 1:17



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**Do I Give THANKS
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- Ps 100:4 — Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, And into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name.
- Ps 107:22 — Let them sacrifice the sacrifices of thanksgiving, And declare His works with rejoicing.
- Ps 116:17 — I will offer to You the sacrifice of thanksgiving, And will call upon the name of the LORD.

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Ephesians 5:20 (NKJV)

²⁰ giving thanks
always for all things to
God the Father in the
name of our Lord
Jesus Christ,

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Philippians 4:4–7 (NKJV)

⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice! ⁵ Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord *is* at hand. ⁶ Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; ⁷ and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

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Colossians 2:6–7 (NKJV)

⁶ As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, ⁷ rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving.

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Colossians 3:15–17 (NKJV)

¹⁵ And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom,

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teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. 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.

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² Continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant in it with thanksgiving;

³ meanwhile praying also for us, that God would open to us a door for the word, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in chains, ⁴ that I may make it manifest, as I ought to speak.

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- **By our words – Phil 4:6**
 - ▶ Giving thanks – Phil 1:3-4
 - ▶ Singing - Eph 5:19,20
 - ▶ Always – 1 Thes 5:16-18
- **By the life we live – Rom 12:1-2**
- **By our humble obedience to Christ – 1 Jn 5:3**
- **By teaching others - Acts 8:4**

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*There is always, always, always
something to be thankful for*

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Being thankful IS NOT dependent on how much stuff we have - or our state in life - but our attitude towards God, His provisions & promises.

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- Acknowledge Ingratitude As A Sin
- Do Not Major In Your Troubles
- Learn To Be Content With What You have
- Express Your Gratitude In Word & Deed

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- Consider what God has done for you!
- Obey the gospel, (believe, repent, confess, be baptized)
- Live for Jesus who died for you!



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Colossians 3:12–17 (NKJV)

¹² Therefore, as *the* elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; ¹³ bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also *must do*. ¹⁴ But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection. ¹⁵ And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful.

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