

Today's Theme

# “Thankfulness Is A Best Friend”

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## A Baseline Of Being Thankful

**(1) To \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ gratitude.**

Psalm 35:18 I will give you thanks in the great assembly; among throngs of people I will praise you.

**(2) To \_\_\_\_\_ something publicly.**

Eph 5:19 Speak to one another with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, 20 always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**(3) \_\_\_\_\_ thankfulness as a normal \_\_\_\_\_.**

Psalm 100:4 Enter His gates with thanksgiving And His courts with praise. Give thanks to Him, bless His name. 5 For the Lord is good; His lovingkindness is everlasting And His faithfulness to all generations.

## Best Way To Actually Live Thankful

**(1) Make \_\_\_\_\_ you're \_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus.**

John 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 10:28 I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand.

**(2) Learn to \_\_\_\_\_ life's challenges.**

1. Know \_\_\_\_\_ to go to \_\_\_\_\_ lasting peace.

Col 3:15 Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.

2. \_\_\_\_\_ the principle of \_\_\_\_\_ gratification.

1 Thess 5:18 give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

Col 2:6 So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, 7 rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

3. Focus on \_\_\_\_\_ God not \_\_\_\_\_ things.  
Heb 12:28 Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, 29 for our “God is a consuming fire.”

**(3) \_\_\_\_\_ deeply in the \_\_\_\_\_ pillars in life.**

Prov 18:24 One who has unreliable friends soon comes to ruin, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.

1. Clearly \_\_\_\_\_ how you \_\_\_\_\_.

1 Thess 5:11 Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

Rom 12:10 Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves.

1 Sam 18:3 And Jonathan made a covenant with David because he loved him as himself. 4 Jonathan took off the robe he was wearing and gave it to David, along with his tunic, and even his sword, his bow and his belt.

2. Be one who can be \_\_\_\_\_ - Always!

Matt 5:37 All you need to say is simply ‘Yes’ or ‘No’; anything beyond this comes from the evil one.

Proverbs 16:28 A perverse person stirs up conflict, and a gossip separates close friends.

3. Be a “\_\_\_\_\_” person AOAP.

Ecc 4:9 Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor: 10 If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up.

John 15:15 I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you.