

A Lesson on Thanksgiving
Colossians 3:12-17

“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.”

Colossians 3:16

Question: What are you giving thanks for on Thursday?

Main Point: Being thankful reminds us of God’s goodness and grace towards us.

If we just thank God for material blessings and earthly relationships, then we will be sorely disappointed in God when those blessings change.

Thankful/thanksgiving- n. (Gk- *eucharista*): a feeling of joy in attitude and a gratitude for what God has done. As a verb it is the action of giving thanks with joy for God’s provisions and actions.

Point One: God's chosen people are... thankful!

As we remember all that God has done for us, thanksgiving and praise should be our proper and abundant response.

Point Two: In our words and in our actions, give thanks.

“Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

Ephesians 5:19-20 (NIV)

Problem: What if I am having a difficult time or season in life? Do I still need to give thanks?

“The Lord is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.”

Psalms 28:7

I am thanking God for...

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