



November 24, 2019 | Thanksgiving in Corinth: Messy Gratitude

1 Corinthians 1:1-5 Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, ² To the church of God in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be his holy people, together with all those everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ—their Lord and ours: ³ Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴ I always thank my God for you because of his grace given you in Christ Jesus. ⁵ For in him you have been enriched in every way—with all kinds of speech and with all knowledge.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Colossians 3:17

Psalm 100:4-5

How We Think Giving Thanks Works:

I Will Give _____ When I Feel _____.

How Giving Thanks Really Works:

I Feel _____ When I Do the _____
of _____ Thanks.

The One Thing:

Giving Thanks is _____ for the _____.

The Thanksgiving Challenge:

Every Day, For the Next _____ Days, I'll Give Thanks for at
Least _____ Different _____.

What if I'm Not Sure Where to Start?

1. Say Thank You for People Who _____.

1 Corinthians 16:5-12 After I go through Macedonia, I will come to you—for I will be going through Macedonia. ⁶ Perhaps I will stay with you for a while, or even spend the winter, so that you can help me on my journey, wherever I go. ⁷ For I do not want to see you now and make only a passing visit; I hope to spend some time with you, if the Lord permits. ⁸ But I will stay on at Ephesus until Pentecost, ⁹ because a great door for effective work has opened to me, and there are many who oppose me. ¹⁰ When Timothy comes, see to it that he has nothing to fear while he is with you, for he is carrying on the work of the Lord, just as I am. ¹¹ No one, then, should treat him with contempt. Send him on his way in peace so that he may return to me. I am expecting him along with the brothers. ¹² Now about our brother Apollos: I strongly urged him to go to you with the brothers. He was quite unwilling to go now, but he will go when he has the opportunity.

2. Say Thank You for God's _____ in and Through My Life.

1 Corinthians 16:8-9 But I will stay on at Ephesus until Pentecost, ⁹ because a great door for effective work has opened to me, and there are many who oppose me.

3. Say Thank You for Daily _____ for the Daily _____.

1 Corinthians 16:13-14 Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong. ¹⁴ Do everything in love.

4. Say Thank You for the _____ Who _____ You Up.

1 Corinthians 16:15-18 You know that the household of Stephanas were the first converts in Achaia, and they have devoted themselves to the service of the Lord's people. I urge you, brothers and sisters, ¹⁶ to submit to such people and to everyone who joins in the work and labors at it. ¹⁷ I was glad when Stephanas, Fortunatus and Achaicus arrived, because they have supplied what was lacking from you. ¹⁸ For they refreshed my spirit and yours also. Such men deserve recognition.

5. Say Thank You for God's _____.

1 Corinthians 16:19-24 The churches in the province of Asia send you greetings. Aquila and Priscilla greet you warmly in the Lord, and so does the church that meets at their house. ²⁰ All the brothers and sisters here send you greetings. Greet one another with a holy kiss. ²¹ I, Paul, write this greeting in my own hand. ²² If anyone does not love the Lord, let that person be cursed! Come, Lord! ²³ The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. ²⁴ My love to all of you in Christ Jesus. Amen