

# Thankfulness

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Psalms 106:1 "Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever"

Ephesians 5:20 "Always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

## I. What Should We Be Thankful For?

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Things - Eph 5:20
2. The Gift of Christ (\_\_\_\_\_) (Ps 118:21, 1 Cor. 10:16, 2 Cor. 9:15)
3. \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ (2 Cor. 2:14)
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ of God (1 Thes. 2:13)
5. God
  - a. His unfailing \_\_\_\_\_ (Ps 106:1, 107:8)
  - b. His \_\_\_\_\_ (Heb. 12:28)
  - c. His \_\_\_\_\_ (Mat 14:19)

## II. When Should We Be Thankful?

1. \_\_\_\_\_ (Eph 5:20)
2. In \_\_\_\_\_ Circumstances (1 Thes 5:18)
3. In all that we \_\_\_\_\_. (Col. 3:17)
4. When Entering God's \_\_\_\_\_. (Ps 100:4)

## III. Why Is Being Thankful So Difficult?

1. GRATITUDE IS A \_\_\_\_\_ (but we are a rebellious people)
2. GRATITUDE IS \_\_\_\_\_.
3. GRATITUDE IS \_\_\_\_\_.

In 1860, a Ship, sank in Lake Michigan near Evanston, Illinois. A man named Edward Spencer waded again and again into the frigid waters to rescue passengers. In the process, his health was permanently damaged. Just a few years later at his funeral, it was noted that not one of the people he rescued ever thanked him. We hear this story and say how terrible, what ingrates.

Many years ago there was another man... This man died for you. He willingly took your punishment that you deserved. Have you thanked Him recently? He continues to guide and direct and forgive and help. He still loves more than you have ever been loved by anyone else. Have you thanked Him recently? **Don't Go Too Long** without uttering a heart-felt thank you to the God who has given so much for you.