

## Getting Started

1. What are some standard expectations we have in America (e.g., financial, career, retirement, home, school, government, etc.)? Describe some things we might feel entitled to.
2. How has entitlement crept into our culture? What might be some of the consequences of these expectations?

## Digging Deeper

1. It has been said, “The bigger our sense of entitlement, the smaller our sense of gratitude.” Describe a potential negative side effect of entitlement. How can a sense of entitlement challenge our capacity to be thankful?
2. Read the below Scriptures and talk about what we can do to establish gratitude as a core component of life:

Ephesians 5:18-20

Psalms 92:1-2

Psalms 119:63

Romans 14:6

3. Life circumstances can threaten our commitment to being grateful. What kind of difficulties and pain have the greatest potential to make you feel ungrateful?
4. We have much to be thankful for: prosperity, people, problems, and pain. How can you express gratitude in each of these categories?

## Bringing It Home

1. From time to time, we have to walk through significant times of pain and suffering. How true is that for you right now? In what ways are your struggles hindering your ability to be grateful?
2. As a small group of friends, practice gratitude to God right now. Pray together and tell God some of the things you are grateful for.

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# Thanksgiving

## "LIVING THANKSGIVING"

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### INTRODUCTION

I. We Are to Give Thanks at \_\_\_\_\_  
*Ephesians 5:18-20*

A. Thankful Every \_\_\_\_\_ and

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*Psalm 92:1-2*

B. Thankful at \_\_\_\_\_  
*Psalm 119:62; Acts 16:25*

C. Thankful Before \_\_\_\_\_  
*Romans 14:6; 1 Timothy 4:4-5; James 1:17*

D. Thankful When \_\_\_\_\_  
*Philippians 4:6; Colossians 4:2; Psalm 100:4; Revelation 11:16-17; Psalm 119:164*

II. We Are to Give Thanks in \_\_\_\_\_

A. Thankful for \_\_\_\_\_  
*1 Timothy 6:17*

B. Thankful for \_\_\_\_\_  
*1 Thessalonians 1:2-3; Acts 28:15*

C. Thankful for \_\_\_\_\_  
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### CONCLUSION