## ThanksLiving Week 4

#### Who does the bible say you are?

Galatians 3:26 For you are all children<sup>[a]</sup> of God through faith in Christ Jesus.

1 John 3:1 See what amazing love the Father has given us! Because of it, we are called children of God. And that's what we really are!

2 Corinthians 6:18 And, "I will be your Father. You will be my sons and daughters, says the Lord who rules over all."

John 1:12-13 But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God. <sup>13</sup> They are reborn—not with a physical birth resulting from human passion or plan, but a birth that comes from God.

Romans 8:15 So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves. Instead, you received God's Spirit when he adopted you as his own children.<sup>[a]</sup> Now we call him, "Abba, Father."

1 Thessalonians 5:18, Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus.

## How does being thankful happen?

2 Corinthians 4:15 says, All of this is for your benefit. And as God's grace reaches more and more people, there will be great thanksgiving, and God will receive more and more glory.

2 Corinthians 9:11, Paul says, "You will be made rich in everything so that your generosity will spill over in every direction. Through us your generosity is at work inspiring praise and thanksgiving to God.

## If you are a child of God what benefits do you have.

- Philippians 4:7 Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.
- Psalm 27:1The LORD is my light and my salvation— whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life— of whom shall I be afraid?
- 2 Timothy 1:7 For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.
- Philippians 4:13 I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

- Romans 6:11 So you also should consider yourselves to be dead to the power of sin and alive to God through Christ Jesus.
- Romans 8:37 No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.
- Colossians 1:11 being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience,
- 2 Peter 1:3-4 His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.

Colossians 3:15, 17, "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God." In times of great anxiety, fear, worry and stress, be thankful. "Let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful. ... Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him"

# Why Aren't We Grateful?

- 1. Doubt.
- 2. Selfishness.
- 3. A critical spirit
- 4. Impatience.
- 5. There is a lack of love for Christ.

Philippians 4:19 God supplies all of my needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus

1 Peter 2:9 But you are not like that, for you are a chosen people. You are royal priests,<sup>[a]</sup> a holy nation, God's very own possession. As a result, you can show others the goodness of God, for he called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.

Colossians 1:13 God has rescued us from the power of darkness and has brought us into the kingdom of his Son, whom he loves.

1 Thessalonians 1:4 We know, dear brothers and sisters,<sup>[a]</sup> that God loves you and has chosen you to be his own people.

May your life be rooted in Christ and overflow with thanksgiving for all He has done for you

True thankfulness begins with Christ. Invite Him into your life right now.