

Small Group Questions November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Thankful Series #3 – 365 Day Thank you Challenge -- Luke 17:11-19

- 1. When you think about someone who is "Thankful" what person comes to mind?
- 2. What are other characteristics of this person?

Do you think some of those characteristics give insight as to why this person appears to be a very grateful person?

Pastor Steve encouraged us to make "Being Thankful" a priority. (Luke 17:15)

3. If you take an honest look at your life and sense that you should be expressing more gratitude, what things do you think are interfering with a more vibrant expression of gratitude in your life?

The thankful person in Luke 17 demonstrated an attitude that was "Humble and Heartfelt".

4. How does Humility relate to "Thankfulness" or "Gratitude"?

In Luke 17 we find that Jesus was "Surprised and Disappointed" around this issue of Thankfulness (Luke 17:17-18)

5. If Jesus expects Gratitude from his followers, explain the process in your life for how Gratitude can be cultivated and maintained?

Additional study about Gratitude: Romans 1:21, Colossians 2:6-7, Colossians 2:13-14

6. Pastor Steve cited some research data that concluded Grateful people are "Happier" people. How would you explain these research findings in light of Biblical revelation?

365 day Challenge: In our 2017 journals we are being challenged to write down one thing each day that we are thankful for, and....once each week.....to contact (Card, Call, Coffee) someone and tell them we are thankful for them.

- 7. How do you feel about the 365 day challenge?
- 8. What do you see as the potential result or impact to others of the 365 day challenge?

9. In general how do you think God wants us utilize the opportunity of Gratitude?	