

Be Grateful

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*Grateful is thanking
God for EVERYTHING.*

* Grateful is a CHOICE not a FEELING.

1. Thank You for SAVING me.

Genesis 45:1-4

¹ Joseph could stand it no longer . . . ² Then he broke down and wept. ³ “I am Joseph”, he said to his brothers. “Is my father still alive?” But his brothers were *speechless!* They were *stunned* to realize that Joseph was standing there in front of them.

⁴ “Please, come closer,” he said to them. So they came closer. And he said again, “*I am Joseph, your brother, whom you sold into slavery in Egypt.*”

Q: What has God saved you from?

Q: How can God use your story?

2. Thank You for SENDING me.

Genesis 45:5-7

⁵ “But don’t be upset, and don’t be angry with yourselves for selling me to this place. *It was God who sent me here ahead of you to preserve your lives.* ⁶ This famine that has ravaged the land for two years will last five more years, and there will be neither plowing nor harvesting. ⁷ God has sent me ahead of you to keep you and your families alive (to save you) and to preserve many survivors.

*You can’t be GRATEFUL and
HATEFUL at the same time.*

3. Thank You for MAKING me.

Genesis 45:8-10

⁸ “So, it was God who sent me here, not you! And he is the one who has made me an advisor to Pharaoh - the manager of his entire palace and the governor of all Egypt. ⁹ Now hurry back to my father and tell him, ‘This is what your son Joseph says: God has made me master over all the land of Egypt. So come down to me immediately!” ¹⁰ “You can live in the region of Goshen, where you can be near me with all your children and grandchildren, your flocks and herds, and everything you own.”

You can't be GRATEFUL and PRIDEFUL at the same time.

4. Thank You for USING me.

Genesis 45:11-15

¹¹ I will take care of you there, for there are still five more years of famine ahead of us. Otherwise you, your household, all your animals will starve.” ¹⁵ Then Joseph kissed each of his brothers and wept over them, and after that they began talking freely with him.

God uses the GRATEFUL to bring HEALING.

Q: What relationship can you bring healing too?

Genesis 45:17-20

¹⁷ Pharaoh said to Joseph, “Tell your brothers, ‘This is what you must do: Load your pack animals, and hurry back to the land of Canaan. ¹⁸ Then get your father and all your families, and return here to me. I will give you the very best land in Egypt, and you will eat from the best that the land produces. ²⁰ Don't worry about your personal belongings, for the best of all the land of Egypt is yours.”

God uses the GRATEFUL to bring BLESSING.

Q: What relationship can you bring blessing to?