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## [1st Thessalonians 1:2-3](#)

### 1. Gratitude Grounded in Prayer

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Point Application:

Gratitude Grounded in Prayer: Make a conscious effort to integrate gratitude into your daily prayer routine. As you pray, thank God not only for the blessings in your life but also for the attributes and actions of others within your community.

Reflect on how you might acknowledge and support God's work in their lives through encouragement and prayer. (Get to know one another)

### 2. Gratitude for Faithful Living

#### [1 Thessalonians 1:3](#)

James 2:22 “22 You see that faith was working with his works, and as a result of the works, faith was perfected;”

Point Application:

Gratitude for Faithful Living: Examine your life for evidence of work, love, and hope as expressions of your faith.

Look for practical ways to live out your faith daily, such as engaging in acts of service, demonstrating love through patience and kindness, and maintaining a steadfast hope in challenging times.

Share these experiences with others to encourage mutual growth and a shared understanding of living a life rooted in faith.

### 3. Gratitude that Cultivates Community

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[1 Peter 1:22](#) “22 Since you have in obedience to the truth purified your souls for a sincere love of the brethren, fervently love one another from the heart,”

[Psalm 134](#) “A Song of Ascents. 1 Behold, bless the Lord, all servants of the Lord, Who serve by night in the house of the Lord! 2 Lift up your hands to the sanctuary And bless the Lord. 3 May the Lord bless you from Zion, He who made heaven and earth.” 7

#### Point Application:

Gratitude that Cultivates Community: Take active steps to foster a grateful community by building connections within your church or group.

Participate in community activities, engage in conversations that emphasize gratitude, and support one another in both personal and spiritual endeavors.

Recognize that personal growth and community well-being are interconnected, and that your contributions can lead to a thriving, unified group centered around Christ.