

HOW TO SAY THANKS
Thanksgiving 2021
Discover Church
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“Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.” 1 Thessalonians 5:18

“Let your lives overflow with joy and thanksgiving” Colossians 2:7

WHY EXPRESS MY APPRECIATION?

- Because it increases **PEOPLE’S SELF WORTH**

“Encourage one another and build each other up.” 1 Thessalonians 5:11

“Speak...what is helpful for building others up according to their needs” Ephesians 4:29

WHAT SHOULD I APPRECIATE?

- People’s **LOYALTY**

*“I thank God for you every time I think of you...because of the way in which you have helped me in the work of the gospel from the very first day until now...both now that I am in prison and also while I was free”
Philippians 1:3-5, 7*

- People’s **DIFFERENCES**

“Be patient and tolerant with one another, always ready to forgive if you have a difference with anyone...for you were called to live as one united body, and always be thankful.” Colossians 3:13, 15

- People’s **EFFORT**

“We always thank God for you...how you put your faith into practice, and how your love made you work so hard” 1 Thessalonians 1:2-3

HOW SHOULD I SHOW APPRECIATION?

- It needs to be **REAL**

He’s so glad to see me and calls me by name.
Hold’s onto my hand. Is charming, urbane.
He looks in my eyes. My heart starts to float.
I know it’s for certain he’s after my vote.

“Don’t just pretend that you love others; really love them!” Romans 12:9

- It needs to be **RECOGNIZABLE**

“What a joy it is to find just the right word for the right occasion.” Proverbs 15:33

“A word of encouragement does wonders!” Proverbs 12:25

➤ It needs to be **REGULAR**

“We ought to continually thank God for you” 2 Thessalonians 2:13

“Whenever we can we should always be kind to everyone, and especially to our Christian brothers.” Galatians 6:10

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Scripture: *1 Thessalonians 5:11; Ephesians 4:29; Philippians 1:3-5, 7; Colossians 3:13, 15; 1 Thessalonians 1:2-3; Romans 12:9; Proverbs 15:33; Proverbs 12:25; 2 Thessalonians 2:13; Galatians 6:10*