

FIVE WAYS TO GIVE THANKS
Discover Church
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1. The **words** you **say**

“Nor should there be obscenity, foolish talk or coarse joking, which are out of place, but rather thanksgiving.” Ephesians 5:4

“Do all things without grumbling or disputing.” Philippians 2:14

Decrease your G.P.H. and increase your T.P.H.

- GPH = **Grumbles** Per Hour
- TPH = **Thanks** Per Hour

Three ways to thank people in your life:

- Be specific
- Be Sensitive
- Be Searching – Search your mind in order to thank God for the people in your life;

2. The **way** you **sing**

“Sing your hearts out to GOD! Thank him to his face!” Psalm 30:4

- Sing **with others**

“Sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs to God with thankful hearts.” Colossians 3:16

“I will give you thanks in a large gathering. I will praise you in a crowd of worshipers” Psalm 35:18

- **Smile** when you sing

“The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and I am helped. My heart leaps for joy and I will give thanks to him in song.” Psalm 28:7

3. The **gifts** you **give**

“You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.” 2 Corinthians 9:11

"I will give you an offering to show thanks to you." Psalm 116:17

"So two good things happen as a result of your gifts -- those in need are helped, and they overflow with thanks to God." 2 Corinthians 9:12

- Never ignore a **thought** to **give**
- Give **more** than you **thought** you could

4. The **times** you **choose** to give thanks

"No matter what happens, always be thankful, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus." 1 Thessalonians 5:18

- Give thanks in **bad** times
- Give thanks in **good** times

"For everything God created is good, and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving." 1 Timothy 4:4

- Give thanks at a **specific** time

"At midnight I rise to give you thanks for your righteous laws." Psalm 119:62

5. The **prayers** you **pray**

"I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone – for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness." 1 Timothy 2:1-2

"Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything; tell God your needs, and don't forget to thank him for his answers." Philippians 4:6

- Thank God for **someone you never have**
- Thank God for **answers**

"Let your lives overflow with joy and thanksgiving for all he has done." Colossians 2:7

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5. The _____ you _____

- Thank God for _____
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Scripture: *Ephesians 5:4; Philippians 2:14; Psalm 30:4; Colossians 3:16; Psalm 35:18; Psalm 28:7; 2 Corinthians 9:11; Psalm 116:17; 2 Corinthians 9:12; 1 Thessalonians 5:18; 1 Timothy 4:4; Psalm 119:62; 1 Timothy 2:1-2; Philippians 4:6; Colossians 2:7*