



GIVE THANKS

CHRISTOFORMITY IN THE FELLOWSHIP OF COMMUNITY

As a beloved “people”- we are called to practice a different way of life, and it is done together.

These things listed in v.12 (and beyond) are all design to be practiced in community - not so much “individually” enjoyed.

CHRISTOFORMITY IN THE FELLOWSHIP OF COMMUNITY

It will be hard - so...(v.13)

It will be fueled by love (v.14).

CHRISTOFORMITY: THE PEACE OF GOD (AND ITS FRUITS)

The rule of the peace of God

The Relationship between Word, Worship and Thanksgiving
(v.15-17).

CHRISTOFORMITY:

Word, Worship and Thanksgiving

The Word of God is commanded here to be corporately enjoyed as it indwells us, as an active and living force here.

(v.15)

The indwelling presence of the Word leads to praise (v.16)

The vital spiritual ingredient - is thankfulness (v.16b-17)

CHRISTOFORMITY:

Word, Worship and Thanksgiving

“And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.”

- Colossians 3:17

GIVING THANKS:

“in You” // “Through You” // “For You”

GIVING THANKS: “in You”

What has God done in your life that has changed you, worked on your heart at the center of who you really are, this past year?

What has He shown you about Himself (a quality or part of His character) that in some way has impressed itself on you and become a part of your life?

A verse, as well as an event (maybe even a trial) that gave you an opportunity to experience the transforming grace of God at the heart level.

GIVING THANKS:

“Through You”

What have been some circumstances this past year that have been ministry opportunities that God has given you, that you can praise Him for in gratitude?

Have you seen God put and use you in any situations/roles that while maybe challenging, can now be viewed in thanks, giving Him credit and praise for His sovereign peace and rule in your circumstances?

GIVING THANKS:

“For You”

Are there any ways that you have seen God provide in your circumstances this last year?

How has God provided for for you physically, in a way you can clearly point to Him and in worship give Him thanks?