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Thanksgiving 2020

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#### Thanksgiving:

1. The act of giving thanks; grateful acknowledgment of benefits or favors, especially to God. —Dictionary.com

#### Thanksgiving 2020 will be different.

#### Jesus is \_\_\_\_ into your heart.

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.

*—Matthew 11: 28-30 (NIV)* 

*Give all your worries and cares to God, for he cares about you.* 

-1 Peter 5:7 (NLT)

# 100 Times - *Thanks* or *Thanksgiving* is mentioned in God's Word.

I will give thanks to you, LORD, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

-Psalm 9:1 (NIV)

I will give thanks to the LORD because of his righteousness; I will sing the praises of the name of the LORD Most High.

-Psalm 7:17 (NIV)

*Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.* 

-Psalm 100:4 (NIV)

But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

-1 Corinthians 15:57 (NIV)

Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift! —2 Corinthians 9:15 (NIV)

\_\_\_\_ for cultivating a godly heart of thanksgiving.

1. Giving thanks to God places Him at the \_\_\_\_ of our day-today, up and down life.

Let the peace of Christ have power over your hearts. You were chosen as a part of His body. Always be thankful. —Colossians 3:15 (NLV)

Always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ

-Ephesians 5:20 (NIV)

## 2. Cultivating a thankful heart to God \_\_\_\_ us of our continual dependence upon Him.

Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

-Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIV)

Whatever I have, wherever I am, I can make it through anything in the One who makes me who I am. —Philippians 4:13 (The Message)

*Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.* 

-James 4:10 (NIV)

#### 3. Thankfulness is an essential ingredient for \_\_\_\_.

Always be joyful. Never stop praying. Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus.

-1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (NLT)

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

-Romans 15:13 (NIV)

*Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good! His faithful love endures forever.* 

-1 Chronicles 16:34 (NLT)