

# Thanksgiving: A Way of Life

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**Our Purpose:** To be a community of believers where, no matter who you are, you can experience life change through Jesus Christ.

*Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.*

—1 Thessalonians 5:18 (ESV)

## 1. GIVE THANKS

## 2. IN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES

## 3. THE WILL OF GOD FOR YOU

### *Two Reasons God Wants You to live with Gratitude*

#### *1) Gratitude Magnifies God*

*I will praise the name of God with a song; I will magnify him with thanksgiving.*

—Psalm 69:30 (ESV)

#### *2) Gratitude Shrinks our Anxiety*

*6 do **not be anxious** about anything, but **in everything by prayer** and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And **the peace of God**, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

—Philippians 4:6-7 (ESV)

## 4. IN CHRIST JESUS

## ***Two Attitudes That Kill Gratitude***

1. "I Want More"

1. "I Deserve More"

*16 For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.*

*—Colossians 1:16 (ESV)*