



- Thankfulness is a rare commodity today because it doesn't come easily to our flesh. It is so easy to become consumed with what we **want** rather than be thankful for what we **have**.
- *"In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you."*
1 Thessalonians 5:18
- We must be thankful people. Why is this issue of thankfulness so important?

First, because thankfulness evidences a _____ spirit. vs. 15-16

- Humility is _____ from arrogance that grows out of the recognition that all we have comes from God. Humility and thanksgiving are, therefore, inseparably tied together.

Second, because God _____ a thankful person. vs. 17-18

- Jesus stopped and took special notice of this man.
- Do you think God notices us when we are thankful?

- *“Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.”*

Psalm 95:2

Third, because God is _____ when we are thankful. vs. 18

- *“By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name.”* **Hebrews 13:15**

Fourth, because thankfulness demonstrates _____ . vs. 19

- When we are thankful, it demonstrates to God that our _____ and confidence are in Him and nobody else.

“Giving thanks always for _____ things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

Ephesians 5:20