

Our goal in this series is to learn, or relearn, that we can give thanks to the Lord in all seasons of life. Whatever our circumstances, we can be thankful!

I want to begin by asking, "What is something that you are thankful for in your life?"

The Bible references the idea of giving thanks or being thankful between 150-170 times depending on how it is used. Giving thanks to the Lord is one of the most repeated commands in scripture.

Text: Psalm 106:1; 107:1; 118:1;
Colossians 3:17; 1 Thess. 5:18

I. Rediscovery begins in the gospel.

A. The gospel grants our greatest need – Eternal life.
- Vs. John 3:15-18

"Eternal life is God's gift to believers, beginning in reconciliation with God now and continuing forever in His presence. Jesus gives life that death cannot destroy and judgment cannot condemn."

B. The gospel gives us our greatest peace – God's presence.
- Vs. John 14:6

Throughout Scripture, the peace of God's presence is a recurring theme that offers believers comfort, assurance, and hope. It is a peace that is both a present reality and a future promise, rooted in the unchanging presence of God." (Philippians 4:6)

Application:
Would you say that you are living in a thankfulness to the Lord because he graciously saved you, inviting you into the very peaceful presence of God?

As a Christian, that is what is available to you and me. However, we can choose to set our minds on things below, so focused on the floor, we do not realize the feast of God's goodness before us.

Rediscovering the art of giving thanks begins with the gospel, realizing our greatest need has been met in Christ!