



In Good Times & Bad– ThankFULL #3

Sunday, November 30, 2025

One Vision: Seeing as God Sees

What Do You Focus On?

Are You Thankful in Good Times & Bad?

in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. 1 Thessalonians 5:18 NKJV
Suffering – “having what you do not want, needing what you do not have”

Godly thankfulness often doesn’t make sense

Then the multitude rose up together against them; and the magistrates tore off their clothes and commanded *them* to be beaten with rods. Acts 16:22 NKJV

And when they had laid many stripes on them, they threw *them* into prison, commanding the jailer to keep them securely. Acts 16:23 NKJV

Having received such a charge, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks. Acts 16:24 NKJV

But at midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God. Acts 16:25 NKJV

Godly thankfulness is powerful when it doesn’t make sense

Then he called for a light, ran in, and fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Acts 16:29 NKJV

And he brought them out and said, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” Acts 16:30 NKJV

Not that I speak in regard to need, for I have learned in whatever state I am, to be content Philippians 4:11 NKJV

I know how to be abased, and I know how to abound. Everywhere and in all things I have learned both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need. Philippians 4:12 NKJV

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. Philippians 4:13 NKJV

God uses godly thankfulness to transform us & others

Now thanks *be* to God who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and through us diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge in every place. 2 Corinthians 2:14 NKJV

For we are to God the fragrance of Christ among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing. 2 Corinthians 2:15 NKJV

To the one *we are* the aroma of death *leading* to death, and to the other the aroma of life *leading* to life. 2 Corinthians 2:16 NKJV

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:16 NKJV

This Week's OWNit365 New Testament Plus Plan:

Nov 30– Matt 8, Family Focus – Matt 8:23-27

Dec 1– Deut 8, Family Focus – Deut 8:1-5

Dec 2 - Reflection & Prayer

Dec 3– Matt 9, Family Focus – Matt 9:9-13

Dec 4– Matt 10, Family Focus – Matt 10:11-16

Dec 5– Matt 11, Family Focus – Matt 11:25-30

Dec 6– Matt 12, Family Focus – Matt 12:33-37

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In this series, we learn that God provides for us because He Loves us. We get the opportunity to look for and express thankfulness to God while learning about David singing his songs of praise and thanksgiving.

Memory Verse: "We thank God." Psalm 107:1 (adapted for toddlers)

Heart of the Lesson: We Thank God for Food and Clothing

Parent Connect: Look Through your thankful plate together as a family and list off things you are thankful for this week. Add new things to your thankful plate to help your kid see the things you are thankful for!



In this series, we will learn about Daniel in the Lion's Den, Esther, and the Israelites rebuilding the temple and how each person required courage to stand up for God's way. God gives us courage!

Memory Verse: "So be strong and courageous, all you who put your hope in the Lord!" Psalm 31:24

Heart of the Lesson: Pray Big | Nehemiah 1-7:1

Parent Connect: This week, we learned about Nehemiah rebuilding the wall. Read the story of Nehemiah together in a storybook bible and talk together about ways we can Pray Big in our own life!



God gives! God's generosity is one of the key themes that runs throughout the entire Bible. From God giving us life in Genesis to God giving us His one and only son in the New Testament, in this series, we are going to explore generosity in our own lives using what God has already given us.

Memory Verse: You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully." 2 Corinthians 9:7

Heart of the Lesson: God gives us reasons to be thankful | Acts 16

Parent Connect: We serve a gracious and loving God, so we should thank him for all he has done! Practice saying thank you for all of the little things that you do for each other. Walk through a prayer thanking God for all of the good things in life!

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With 1 Thessalonians 5:18 as our theme, we want to explore in G56 what it means to be thankful in all circumstances, making sure that as we walk into this holiday season that we keep our hearts focused on God and learn how to be thankful in the good times and bad times.

Memory Verse: “Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God’s will for you who belong in Christ Jesus.” 1 Thessalonians 5:18

Heart of the Lesson: We can be thankful in the good times and bad times – Acts 16:25-34, Philippians 4:12-13, 18

Parent Connect: When Paul and Silas were thrown in jail, they didn’t complain - they worshipped. This week, make a “praise playlist” together with songs that remind you of God’s goodness. Play it when things don’t go how you’d like them to: like a tough homework night or a hard time with friends.