

# Three Ingredients For Your Best Thanksgiving Ever! Reach Pt. 4

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### Reach: Living Life On Mission Pt. 4

**1 Chronicles 16:34**, *Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever.*

**1 Thessalonians 5:16**, *Rejoice always, 17 pray continually, 18 give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.*

**Ephesians 5:15**, *Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, 16 making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil.*

### Ingredient #1: Choose A POSITIVE OUTLOOK

**1 Thessalonians 5:16**, *Rejoice always...*

**Proverbs 17:22**, *A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones.*

**Philippians 4:4**, *Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! ... 6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. 7 And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. 8 Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. 9 Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice.*

### Ingredient #2: Choose A PRAYERFUL MINDSET

**1 Thessalonians 5:17**, *pray continually...*

**Matthew 6:9**, *“This, then, is how you should pray: “Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be Your name, 10 Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. 11 Give us today our daily bread. 12 And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. 13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.’ 14 For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. 15 But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.*

### **Ingredient #3: Choose A THANKFUL ATTITUDE**

**1 Thessalonians 5:18**, *give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.*

#### **Several Thoughts On Living Thankfully:**

##### **-Giving Thanks Is How We Should Enter GOD’S HOUSE**

**Psalm 100:4**, *Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His name.*

**2 Chronicles 5:11**, *The priests then withdrew from the Holy Place. All the priests who were there had consecrated themselves, regardless of their divisions. 12 All the Levites who were musicians... stood on the east side of the altar, dressed in fine linen and playing cymbals, harps and lyres. They were accompanied by 120 priests sounding trumpets. 13 The trumpeters and musicians joined in unison to give praise and thanks to the Lord. Accompanied by trumpets, cymbals and other instruments, the singers raised their voices in praise to the Lord and sang: “He is good; His love endures forever.” Then the temple of the Lord was filled with the cloud, 14 and the priests could not perform their service because of the cloud, for the glory of the Lord filled the temple of God.*

##### **-Giving Thanks Satisfies Our CRAVINGS**

**Psalm 107:8**, *Let them give thanks to the Lord for His unfailing love and His wonderful deeds for mankind, 9 for He **satisfies** the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.*

##### **-Giving Thanks Is Our Affirmation Of FAITH**

**Psalm 95:2**, *Let us come before Him with thanksgiving and extol Him with music and song. 3 For the Lord is the great God, the great King above all gods.*

**-Giving Thanks Is A Testimony TO OTHERS**

**Psalm 9:1**, *I will give thanks to You, Lord, with all my heart; I will tell of all Your wonderful deeds.*

**1 Timothy 4:4**, *For everything God created is good, and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving, 5 because it is consecrated by the Word of God and prayer.*

**What's Next:**

-Invite someone to join you for the "Glimmer of Hope" teaching series that begins next weekend.

-Start making plans now to invite your family, friends and neighbors to one of our 5 Christmas Eve Services: Sunday December 22 @7:00p; Tuesday December 24 @ 1p, 3p, 5p or 7p.