

Small Group Study Guide

ICE BREAK

- What % of your prayers involve requests and what % gratitude?
 - Share about the most grate-full person you know?
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STUDY

Let's focus on November as a Month of Thanksgiving and how prevalent GRATITUDE is in God's word.

What did you hear in this week's sermon that was new?

1. Read 1 Timothy 4:1-7 "received with thanksgiving"

- a. Do you agree that **everything** God created is **good**? And one of the purposes is to create gratitude for everything He created?
- b. Grace/Unmerited Favor from God is beautiful and powerful. In what specific ways have you struggled with His grace?
- c. How do you maintain an **attitude of grace** in a land of prosperity and entitlement?

2. Colossians 1:7: "Overflowing with thankfulness"

- a. God's will is for us to grow and develop in gratitude.
- b. What does that process involve and who helps us to grow?

3. 1 Thess. 5:18 "Grateful in All Circumstances"

- a. We are called to be **thankful in all** circumstances, not **for all** circumstances.
- b. How can Christians find grace in every situation? Do you always feel grateful?
- c. How have you found gratitude even before waiting for the circumstances to get better.
- d. Discuss these specific considerations:

- i. Share an experience-difficult or enjoyable- that you were thankful for.
 - ii. What's a gift/grace you've received this year?
 - iii. Name a small thing you're are daily thankful for.
 - iv. Who is someone recently you're thankful for?
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REFLECT

- Who is someone you need to bless this week.
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PRAY

- Pray for each other's needs and growing grace in your lives and conversations.
- Follow up on past prayer requests.
- Pray for the mission God has given each of us to be grateful every day.