Thanksgiving is being grateful for all of God's goodness, expressed in His omnipotence...

SECTION TWO: . . . omniscience . . .
Exodus 33:12, 13, 17–19 (to ); Psalms 31:19; 107:21, 22; 145:7

12 And Moses said unto the Lord, See, thou sayest unto me, Bring up this people: and thou hast not let me know whom thou wilt send with me. Yet thou hast said, I know thee by name, and thou hast also found grace in my sight. 13 Now therefore, I pray thee, if I have found grace in thy sight, shew me now thy way, that I may know thee, that I may find grace in thy sight: and consider that this nation is thy people.

17 And the Lord said unto Moses, I will do this thing also that thou hast spoken: for thou hast found grace in my sight, and I know thee by name. 18 And he said, I beseech thee, shew me thy glory. 19 And he said, I will make all my goodness pass before thee, and I will proclaim the name of the Lord before thee;

19 Oh how great is thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee; which thou hast wrought for them that trust in thee before the sons of men!

21 Oh that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men! 22 And let them sacrifice the sacrifices of thanksgiving, and declare his works with rejoicing.

They shall abundantly utter the memory of thy great goodness, and shall sing of thy righteousness.

SECTION THREE: . . . omnipresence . . .
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Golden Text
Psalms 33:5 the

. . . the earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.

Responsive Reading

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Section 1

THE BIBLE

David the king stood up upon his feet, and said, 
Hear me, my brethren, and my people: As for me, 
I had in mine heart to build an house of rest for 
the ark of the covenant of the Lord, and for the footstool of 
our God, and had made ready for the building:

5 And of all my sons, (for the Lord hath given me 
many sons,) he hath chosen Solomon my son to sit upon 
the throne of the kingdom of the Lord over Israel. 
6 And he said unto me, Solomon thy son, he shall build my house 
and my courts: for I have chosen him to be my son, and 
I will be his father.

Furthermore David the king said unto all the 
congregation, Solomon my son, whom alone God hath 
chosen, is yet young and tender, and the work is great: 
for the palace is not for man, but for the Lord God.

9 Then the people rejoiced, for that they offered will- 
ingly, because with perfect heart they offered willingly 
to the Lord: and David the king also rejoiced with great 
joy.

10 Wherefore David blessed the Lord before all the 
congregation: and David said, Blessed be thou, Lord 
God of Israel our father, for ever and ever.

11 Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and 
honour and power: for thou hast created all things, 
and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

The Lord is good to all:
All thy works shall praise thee, O Lord; and thy 
saints shall bless thee.
They shall speak of the glory 
of thy kingdom, and talk of thy power;

Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and 
honour and power: for thou hast created all things, 
and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, which 
art, and wast, and art to come; because thou hast taken 
to thee thy great power, and hast reigned.

What power do you gain when you 
turn grateful words into grateful actions?

reignest: rule; govern
conords: agreements; harmonies; unions

God, Spirit, alone created all, and called it 
good.

Are we really grateful for the good 
already received? Then we shall avail ourselves of the 
blessings we have, and thus be fitted to receive more. 
Gratitude is much more than a verbal expression of 
thanks. Action expresses more gratitude than speech.

The good you do and embody gives you 
the only power obtainable.

It is unwise to doubt 
if reality is in perfect harmony with God, divine Principle, 
— if Science, when understood and demonstrated, will 
destroy all discord, — since you admit that God is omni-
potent; for from this premise it follows that good and 
its sweet concords have all-power.

The three great verities of Spirit, omnipotence, omni-
presence, omniscience, — Spirit possessing all power, 
filling all space, constituting all Science, — contradict 
forever the belief that matter can be actual. 
These eternal verities reveal primeval exist-
ence as the radiant reality of God's creation,
in which all that He has made is pronounced by His wis-
dom good.
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**Section 2**

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6 | Revelation 7:12 Blessing (to 1st.)

12 Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever.

7 | Job 28:12 where, 13 (to ;), 14, 15, 20, 23, 24

12 where shall wisdom be found? and where is the place of understanding? 13 Man knoweth not the price thereof;

14 The depth saith, It is not in me: and the sea saith, It is not with me. 15 It cannot be gotten for gold, neither shall silver be weighed for the price thereof.

20 Whence then cometh wisdom? and where is the place of understanding?

23 God understandeth the way thereof, and he knoweth the place thereof. 24 For he looketh to the ends of the earth, and seeth under the whole heaven;

8 | John 7:14, 15, 31

Now about the midst of the feast Jesus went up into the temple, and taught. 15 And the Jews marvelled, saying, How knoweth this man letters, having never learned?

31 And many of the people believed on him, and said, When Christ cometh, will he do more miracles than these which this man hath done?

9 | Colossians 2:6, 7

6 As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: 7 Rooted and built up in him, and established in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.

**Words to Know**

- **primal:** first; primary; original
- **triune:** three-in-one
- **auditory:** pertaining to hearing or listening
- **discern:** see and identify by noting a difference or differences; note the distinctive character of; distinguish

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**Apply**

What does it mean for all to be Mind?

How does this help you overcome limits?

How would you pray in this situation?

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**Question**

How can you be more spiritually minded?

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**Word Highlights**

- **established:** firmly set in place; made stable; made unmovable; settled
- **primal:** first; primary; original
- **triune:** three-in-one
- **auditory:** pertaining to hearing or listening
- **discern:** see and identify by noting a difference or differences; note the distinctive character of; distinguish
God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacles of the most High. God is in the midst of her; the Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Sing unto the Lord, all the earth; shew forth from day to day his salvation. Declare his glory among the heathen; his marvellous works among all nations. Glory and honour are in his presence; strength and gladness are in his place. O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good; who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place. In the year 1866, I discovered the Christ Science or divine laws of Life, Truth, and Love, and named my discovery Christian Science. God had been graciously preparing me during many years for the reception of this final revelation of the absolute divine Principle of scientific mental healing. This apodictical Principle points to the revelation of Immanuel, “God with us,” — the sovereign ever-presence, delivering the children of men from every ill “that flesh is heir to.”

Unfathomable Mind is expressed. The depth, breadth, height, might, majesty, and glory of infinite Love fill all space. That is enough!
2 the spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

15 | Matthew 14:14
And Jesus went forth, and saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion toward them, and he healed their sick.

16 | John 5:1–9 there (to:)
1 there was a feast of the Jews; and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. 2 Now there is at Jerusalem by the sheep market a pool, which is called in the Hebrew tongue Bethesda, having five porches. 3 In these lay a great multitude of impotent folk, of blind, halt, withered, waiting for the moving of the water. 4 For an angel went down at a certain season into the pool, and troubled the water: whosoever then first after the troubling of the water stepped in was made whole of whatsoever disease he had. 5 And a certain man was there, which had an infirmity thirty and eight years. 6 When Jesus saw him lie, and knew that he had been now a long time in that case, he saith unto him, Wilt thou be made whole? 7 The impotent man answered him, Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool: but while I am coming, another steppeth down before me. 8 Jesus saith unto him, Rise, take up thy bed, and walk. 9 And immediately the man was made whole, and took up his bed, and walked:

17 | Psalms 30:2, 11, 12 O Lord
2 O Lord my God, I cried unto thee, and thou hast healed me. 11 Thou hast turned for me my mourning into dancing: thou hast put off my sackcloth, and girded me with gladness; 12 O Lord my God, I will give thanks unto thee forever.

Red team wins!!

Gratitude for each other and for God turned our thinking and our game around!
A couple of years ago, I became ill the day before Thanksgiving. My wife and I had already volunteered to host an extended family dinner for the holiday. After much prayer, I hadn’t yet improved and unfortunately felt worse.

I told my wife I would stay in the bedroom the next day while our family enjoyed the Thanksgiving meal. I added that there was no way I would be going to the Thanksgiving service at our branch Church of Christ, Scientist, in the morning. Besides, I said, I had nothing to be grateful for.

Early the next morning, I received a phone call from a church member informing me that she was bringing a guest to the Thanksgiving service. The guest was someone I had known while growing up, and he was looking forward to seeing me. I told the church member that I was not feeling well, and that I doubted I would be attending church that day. Instead of the church member saying that she was sorry, or that she hoped I would get well, she said, “Healing is just around the corner.”

Within seconds of hanging up, I had a thought come to me that it would be a loving act for me to go to the service to welcome my childhood friend to our church. The guest was someone I had known while growing up, and he was looking forward to seeing me. I told the church member that I was not feeling well, but I decided to go to the Thanksgiving service.

I entered church still not feeling well, and to be honest, I sat through the readings from the Bible and Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures, by Mary Baker Eddy, without a grain of gratitude in my thought. But then the testimonies began. The first person that stood up talked about the power of gratitude to lift us above the petty concerns of self and personal sense. A truth dawned on me: that all my grumbling was self-centered, a limiting feature of personal sense, which prevented me from opening my thought to God and my God-given spiritual sense.

Next a young man got up to express his gratitude for his successful recovery from drug addiction. Knowing this young man and his journey, I felt genuine gratitude for his willingness to share his story of courage and healing.

Then a young woman stood up and told about how she and her family had arrived in town recently, not knowing anyone. They had needed a home, schools for their children, and jobs. Her humble gratitude for how God’s love had cared for and sustained her family filled me with joy.

I did not stand to give thanks myself, but listening to other members of the congregation express their gratitude for God’s goodness was enough to change me. Like the warmth of the sunshine slowly thawing a frozen river, the sharing in church that day caused the ingratitude within my thought to crack. I turned away from focusing on myself and personal sense and was lifted up to an awareness of God’s love and power governing.

After the service, I met my childhood friend, and we reminisced about old experiences. His wife had recently passed on, but he was apparently buoyed by the Thanksgiving service, because he began to list the things he was grateful for. I was touched by his sense of gratitude.

We said our goodbyes, and I walked out of church completely healed. I went home to a house full of family, ate heartily, and entertained my guests, while feeling a sublime gratitude in my heart for the power of divine Love that had dissolved the illness I had suffered from.

Through the grace of the Thanksgiving service, my thought had been opened to the reality of God’s abundant blessings, simply by listening to other people’s gratitude. This revelation transformed me and brought a remarkable and speedy release, for which I am grateful.
With grateful hearts we gather, Lord,
On these thanksgiving days,
And for the blessings of the year
Our praise to Thee we raise.

Oh, help us to remember, Lord,
That words cannot express
The gratitude that is enough—
But deeds that others bless.

Our words of thanks Thou welcomest.
Oh, help us to recall
That Love in love reflected is
The praise that's best of all.

The tender word, the love that flows
From hearts that glow for Thee,
Is far more pleasing to Thy ear
Than praise from bended knee.

The praise that Thou dost welcome most,
Thanksgiving true to Thee,
Is love that in our fellow-man
Naught but the real will see.

As to our homes we journey on,
And through the year, we pray
That Thou, O Lord, will strengthen us
To praise Thee in Thy way.

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