

GRATITUDE

"THE SECRET OF HAPPINESS IS TO LIVE MOMENT BY MOMENT
AND TO THANK GOD FOR WHAT HE IS SENDING US EVERY DAY
IN HIS GOODNESS." ST GIANNA BERETTA MOLLA



This week we look at the importance of being thankful and how we can show our appreciation to God and to one another.

In today's busy world we too often forget to be grateful. We live in a world which encourages us to take, take, take, often without a second thought about where things come from, how they got to us, or even if we need them in the first place.

In our busyness we might also lose sight of what other people are doing for us, especially our families at home and our teachers in school.

Most often of all though we often forget to see what God does for us and for the many gifts he give to us.

What are you grateful for in your life?
Do you always remember to say thank you?



THE THANKFUL LEPER LUKE 17: 11-19

Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!"

When he saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed. One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan. Jesus asked, "Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Rise and go; your faith has made you well."



**Dear God, you give us everything we need,
but we often forget to say "thank you".
We thank you now, and ask you to help us
to remember to give thanks every day for
all you do for us.
Amen.**

**Today make your whole day a prayer of thanks for
all the wonderful things in your life.
Take time to stop throughout the week and say
thank you for the things you are grateful for.**

Prayer for the week



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Thanks!

Have your prayers been answered?

We pray every day in school and maybe you pray at home too. But do you remember the what you have asked for in prayer, and do you thank God when he answers your prayers? How often have you prayed for something, it has happened but you haven't given it a second thought to thank God for listening and answering your prayer. Maybe you just brushed it off as a coincidence. Take a moment now to think about times we have prayed and they have been answered, and in the silence of your hearts thank God for His response.

Who do you want to thank?

Take some time this morning to think about who you need to thank and write them a letter.

There are so many people in our lives that we forget to thank, and some that don't even realise that they have helped us in some way. Now is your chance to say thank you. Maybe you want to thank a friend, or family member or maybe a teacher.



Thanks You Challenge!

We can show our gratitude in lots of different ways. How many different languages can your form say thank you in?

Think of as many ways as possible that someone might show their thanks without saying the words thank you.

Challenge yourself to say thank you as many times as you can today!

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10,000 Reasons- Matt Redman ([LISTEN HERE](#))

Gratitude- Brandon Lake ([LISTEN HERE](#))

"The more thankful I became, the more my country increased. That's because-for sure- what you focus on expands. When you focus on the goodness in life, you create more of it."

