





GRATITUDE



**“But we ought to thank God always for you,
brothers and sisters loved by the Lord,
because from the beginning God has chosen
you for salvation through sanctification by
the Spirit and through belief in the truth.”**

2 Thessalonians 2:13



Gratitude: state of being thankful;
pausing to notice and appreciate the
things that we often take for granted;
appreciative of benefits received

Why be grateful to God?

- Our life: Acts 17:25-28
- Physical blessings: James 1:17
- Forgiveness: Eph 1:7, Mt 18:21, 2 Pet 1:3
- Repentance: Rom 2:4, 2 Pet 3:9
- Prayer: Eph 3:20, Phil 4:6, Eph 5:20, Col 3:15,17
- Constant regard: Phil 4:4, Jer 2:13, 1 Pet 3:12, Isa 59:1-2
- Fellowship: Acts 2:44-46, Heb 3:12-13, 1 Thes 5:14-15,
Gal 6:1-2, Eph 6:18, 1 Jn 1:3-4, Rom 12:9-13

Conclusion

- Are we grateful for the blessings we received from God?
- How do we express that gratitude?