# Giving Thanks This Thanksgiving

*1 Thessalonians 5:16–18 (ESV)*

> *"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."*

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## What is the key to giving thanks this Thanksgiving?

The key to giving thanks begins in prayer, looks to God in all circumstances, and endures in Christ.

### 1. The key to giving thanks begins in _____ (v. 17)

**Notes**

**PAUSE & REFLECT**

Three things I will pray about for the next two weeks:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

### 2. The key to giving thanks looks to _____ in all circumstances (v. 18a)

**Notes**

**PAUSE & REFLECT**

Three things I've learned recently about **what God is like**

*Examples: He is faithful, kind, always with me, in control.*

1. God is _____
2. God is _____
3. God is _____

### 3. The key to giving thanks endures in _____ (v. 18b)

**Notes**

**PAUSE & REFLECT**

Three things I have **in Christ** that I thank God for

*Examples: I'm forgiven, I'm God's child, I'm never alone, I have eternal life.*

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

## 14-DAY THANKSGIVING TRACKER

Read the verse, pray through your three lists, and color in the leaf.

### WEEK 1

| Sun 11/15 | Mon 11/16 | Tue 11/17 | Wed 11/18 | Thu 11/19 | Fri 11/20 | Sat 11/21 |
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| 1 Thess. 5:16–18 | Psalm 100 | Psalm 136:1–9 | Phil. 4:4–7 | Col. 3:15–17 | Psalm 103:1–5 | Lam. 3:22–24 |

### WEEK 2

| Sun 11/22 | Mon 11/23 | Tue 11/24 | Wed 11/25 | Thu 11/26 THANKSGIVING DAY | Fri 11/27 | Sat 11/28 |
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| Psalm 107:1–9 | Hab. 3:17–19 | James 1:2–4 | Rom. 8:28–39 | Psalm 118: 1, 24–29 | Eph. 1:3–8 | 2 Cor. 9:15 |

### Kids' Corner

*Draw something you are thankful for*

### THIS WEEK

Each day, pray through your lists and thank God for one thing from each box.

*Keep this on your fridge until Thanksgiving!*

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