

The Thread Of Gratitude

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Gratitude guards us in the _____.

Colossians 2:6-7 “Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.”

Gratitude guards our _____ in the Peace of God.

Philippians 4:6-7 “do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”

Gratitude keeps us _____.

Colossians 4:2 “Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving.”

Gratitude _____ God.

Psalms 69:30 “I will praise the name of God with a song; I will magnify him with thanksgiving.”

“It is only with gratitude that life becomes rich.” – Bonheffer

Luke 17:18 “Was no one found to return and give praise to God except for this foreigner?”

Gratitude _____ God.

Psalms 103:1-2 “Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.”

Gratitude _____ the will of God.

I Thessalonians 5:16-18 “Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.”

Gratitude guards our _____.

Romans 1:21 “For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened.”

There are 3 essential prayers – Help! Thanks! Wow!

Gratitude guards the _____ of others.

Ephesians 5:4 “Let there be no filthiness nor foolish talk nor crude joking, which are out of place, but instead let there be thanksgiving.”

Gratitude keeps us _____.

I Chronicles 29:13-14 “And now we thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name. But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able thus to offer willingly? For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you.”

“Gratitude is not only the greatest of virtues, but the parent of all the others” – Cicero

Gratitude is the lens through which we view

_____.

Colossians 3:17 “And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.”