Gratitude That Grows

November 2026 Bible Reading Plan

Theme Scripture:

1 Thessalonians 5:16–18

“Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus.” (NASB)

Growing a Heart of Gratitude

November is a wonderful opportunity to focus on the blessings of God and develop a heart of gratitude. Throughout this month, our church family will discover that gratitude is more than a feeling—it is a daily choice that strengthens our faith, changes our perspective, and draws us closer to Christ.

As we prepare for Thanksgiving, let's grow together through God's Word, learning to be thankful not only for what God has done but also for who He is.

November Gratitude Challenge

Throughout November, we encourage every member of our New Life family to practice three simple habits:

- **READ** God's Word Daily: Spend time in the daily Scripture passage and consider what it reveals about God's goodness.
- **REFLECT** on God's Blessings: Identify at least one reason to be thankful each day.
- **RESPOND** with Gratitude: Express your thanksgiving through prayer, encouragement, worship, or service.

Week 1 – Choosing a Grateful Heart

Focus: Gratitude begins with a decision to rejoice, pray, and give thanks.

Nov 1 | 1 Thessalonians 5:16–18 | Choose gratitude every day

Nov 2 | Psalm 100:1–5 | Enter His presence with thanksgiving

Nov 3 | Philippians 4:4–7 | Rejoice and pray in every circumstance

Nov 4 | Colossians 3:15–17 | Let thankfulness fill your heart

Nov 5 | Psalm 103:1–5 | Remember God's many benefits

Nov 6 | James 1:16–18 | Recognize every good gift

Nov 7 | Psalm 34:1–8 | Praise the Lord at all times

Weekly Challenge: Each morning thank God for three blessings.

Week 2 – Remembering God's Faithfulness

Focus: Looking back at God's faithfulness gives us confidence for tomorrow.

Nov 8 | Lamentations 3:21–26 | His mercies are new every morning

Nov 9 | Psalm 107:1–9 | Give thanks for His steadfast love

Nov 10 | Deuteronomy 8:10–18 | Don't forget the Lord's blessings

Nov 11 | Joshua 4:1–9 | Remember what God has done

Nov 12 | Psalm 136:1–9 | His lovingkindness endures forever

Nov 13 | 2 Corinthians 9:8–15 | Thank God for His indescribable gift

Nov 14 | Psalm 145:1–9 | Celebrate the greatness of God

Weekly Challenge: Share with someone a specific way God has been faithful to you.

Week 3 – Grateful in the Middle of It

Focus: We may not be thankful for every circumstance, but we can give thanks to God in every circumstance.

Nov 15 | Philippians 4:6–9 | Replace anxiety with prayer and gratitude

Nov 16 | James 1:2–4 | Trust God through trials

Nov 17 | Romans 8:28–39 | God's love never fails

Nov 18 | Habakkuk 3:17–19 | Rejoice even when life is difficult

Nov 19 | 2 Corinthians 4:16–18 | Focus on what is eternal

Nov 20 | Acts 16:22–34 | Praise God in the midnight hour

Nov 21 | Psalm 46:1–11 | Be still and remember God is near

Weekly Challenge: Identify one difficult circumstance and intentionally thank God for His presence, promises, and faithfulness through it.

Week 4 – Living a Life of Thanksgiving

Focus: A thankful heart expresses itself through worship, generosity, and service.

Nov 22 | Luke 17:11–19 | Don't forget to say thank you

Nov 23 | Psalm 95:1–7 | Worship with a thankful heart

Nov 24 | Hebrews 13:15–16 | Offer a sacrifice of praise

Nov 25 | Colossians 2:6–7 | Overflow with gratitude

Nov 26 | Psalm 97:1–12 | Thanksgiving Day: Rejoice in the Lord

Nov 27 | 2 Corinthians 9:6–12 | Let gratitude inspire generosity

Nov 28 | Ephesians 5:15–20 | Give thanks always for everything

Weekly Challenge: Express your gratitude through an act of kindness, encouragement, or generosity.

Week 5 – A Gratitude That Keeps Growing

Focus: Thanksgiving is not simply a holiday—it is a lifestyle for every follower of Christ.

Nov 29 | Colossians 3:12–17 | Develop a lifestyle of gratitude

Nov 30 | Psalm 92:1–5 | Give thanks for God's faithfulness

Weekly Challenge: Identify one difficult circumstance and intentionally thank God for His presence, promises, and faithfulness through it.

Weekly Challenge: Make a personal commitment to carry a thankful heart into the Christmas season and the coming year.

A Closing Encouragement from Pastor Bob

Church family, my prayer is that November will be more than a season when we talk about thanksgiving. May it become a time when we truly grow in gratitude.

Life will not always be easy, and our circumstances will not always be what we hoped for. But our God is always faithful, His promises are always true, and His love never fails.

As we read God's Word together this month, let's develop hearts that rejoice always, pray continually, and give thanks in every circumstance.

Remember: Gratitude changes our perspective, strengthens our faith, and draws us closer to Christ.

Pastor Bob Kapp