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November 16-23

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Giving Thanks by Bill Powell



When it comes time to write for the November newsletter, one thing is for sure - for me it has to be about Thanksgiving. I decided

to write about some things that I am thankful for that have impacted my life way more than material things or even health. What I am referring to is chastisement or correction from the Lord. Let me give you a few personal examples of what I am stumbling around and trying to say.

I was member of a church when I lived in South Florida for several years. I was president of the men's group. Before the term *worship leaders* they were called song leaders, and I led the congregational singing. I was involved in just about everything including the youth, church picnics, hall setup; you name it I was involved. The pastor determined he needed to ordain a couple of deacons. Not that I was bucking for the job, but I thought, "Umm. Well he ordained two guys that pretty much were not doing anything."

I must admit I was quite devastated. I was doing the work of a deacon and these guys were doing nothing. I had to wonder, "What's up with that?" I have to admit after all was said and done I grew spiritually from this experience, tremendously. I began to process my thoughts and motives. I reasoned that if I truly was serving the Lord, which I was, nothing was stopping me from continuing that. Is God sovereign? Am I looking for position? Does not the Lord know me by name, even the number of hairs on my head? Is this not His church? I must admit this was one of the times the Lord had to straighten me out. This painful experience made me a much better man and drew

me much closer to the Lord.

By the way, a few years later we moved to this area and I was enjoying not having so many responsibilities in the church, totally happy with my station in life. You guessed it - the pastor called me out and ordained me a deacon. This was not something I sought, hoped for, or desired but it is not about me, is it?

More recently our pastor said something that knocked me off my stool. In his sermon about love he mentioned that we should ask the Lord to make us more loving. I have had a relationship with the Lord since I was 22 years old. I have prayed for wisdom, knowledge, discernment, and just about everything you could think of. I tell the Lord my troubles. I confess my faults. I ask for forgiveness and often repent. I praise Him, thank Him and basically share every problem, hope, and desire with Him.

You know what? I couldn't remember if I ever asked Him to help me be more loving. I kind of just thought that was a given. Wow! It was like I was hit with a ton of bricks. Bull's eye right between the eyes. The scriptures tell us if we have not love we are as a tinkling cymbal. I don't want to be a tinkling cymbal! That, my friend, was the Lord's chastisement and correction for me.

So this Thanksgiving let us all thank the Lord for all the times he has chastened and corrected us. There is no good in us except what comes from the Lord. Although correction is painful at the time, it is a gift we all need and should thankful for. Enjoy your Thanksgiving! What a blessed time of year this is!

As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent. Rev 3:19



Looking Ahead

Nov 1

Daylight savings time

Nov 11

Veteran's Day

Nov 16-23

*Operation Christmas
Child Collection*

Nov 26

Thanksgiving Day

Nov 27

*100% Christmas music
on The Cornerstone
through Christmas*

Prayer Corner

Please join us each week for prayer at our studios at 4295 Ridgewood Ave., Port Orange. **Thursdays @ 9:00 am**
No RSVP required, just come.

“We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you...” (Col 1:3) We thank God for our Cornerstone family, and for the faithfulness that keeps the truth of the Gospel going forth. Take time to remember His many blessings and also give thanks and praise to our glorious Savior!

“THE ONLY CONSTANT IN LIFE IS CHANGE”

After many years of broadcasting, Moody is retiring the Midday Connection program. With that in mind, we are working on some new and exciting programming for 1:00 pm every weekday on WMFJ. Keep your ears open for timeless wisdom from Elizabeth Elliot and others!

Humble Gratitude by Donna Bramlett



With great extravagance, Solomon made another march up to Gibeon, the great high place, and began to offer a thousand burnt offerings. He loved the Lord, and he showed it in the same lavish way he had seen from his father David. Solomon went to the highest of high places, as if he were reaching for God with all his might, and the aroma of his sacrifices drifted for miles and lingered for days. The Lord received those sacrifices, but He did not speak to Solomon through the smoke. He waited until Solomon was asleep and appeared in a dream, addressing this opulent king on the same terms He might use with any ordinary man. It had nothing to do with Solomon's royalty.

When He told Solomon to make his request and ask for what he wanted, do you suppose God did not already know Solomon's heart? And here is the point. He wanted Solomon to know his own heart. He had to cut through the royal extravagance and speak to the man, and the man had to answer. I think a subtle but

significant part of this story is what Solomon did when he woke up. *“Then Solomon came to Jerusalem and stood before the ark of the covenant of the Lord, and offered up burnt offerings and peace offerings, and made a feast for all his servants.”* (1 Kings 3:15) Solomon was humbled. Compared to what God had just promised him, his thousand burnt offerings were a pittance. So he left the high place and went into the tent God had designed for that purpose. He offered a reasonable offering, and he made a feast for all his servants. No pomp. No extravagance. Just a humble awareness of his own humanity and gratitude for God's kindness to him. In fact, the first case he presided over was between two prostitutes, a horrific case he could easily have delegated to someone else. And from this place of humility God exalted him to be the greatest, wisest king of all time.

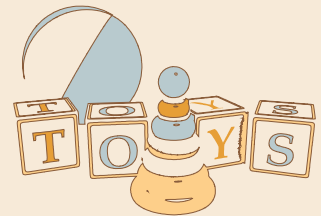
As we partake of our Thanksgiving meal, let us not be concerned with its extravagance - or lack of it. Let's approach this day and this meal with a humble and grateful awareness of our humanity, of God's transcendence, and the kindness and mercy He has lavished on us.

Don't Forget Those in Need

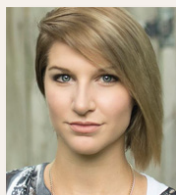
Right after Thanksgiving we will begin our annual collections for the homeless, foster children, and nursing home residents. Bring any of the following items to our studios, and we will make sure they get into the hands of those who need them most.

Items we are looking for include:

Shampoos & Soaps • Socks & Lotions
Lap Blankets • Robes & Slippers
Blankets (new & used) • New Toys
Gift cards for foster teens



A True Heart of Thanksgiving by Christina Hutchinson



When thinking of Thanksgiving, we think of something we do once a year when we get together with family. We take turns sharing what we're thankful for, how many blessings we've acquired through the year, and so on. Aside from those traditions during the festivities of the season, we know that having a true heart of thankfulness is something we should have all year round. Thankfulness has a fundamental place in the Christian life. The essence of the Christian life can be summarized in many ways such as repentance, forgiveness, love, joy, patience, etc. In the book of Colossians the Apostle Paul highlights thanksgiving. When Paul writes to the Christians in Colossae, he opens with thankfulness to God for the believers there and encourages them to *"give thanks to the Father"* (Col 1:12) for their salvation!

Sometimes our thankfulness can be so shallow, with our focus on material things, but when we really dig deep into what Christ has done for us we overflow with praise and thanksgiving for our faith, hope, and ultimately our salvation! Colossians 2:6-7 says *"Therefore as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in faith, just as you were taught, abounding in Thanksgiving."* We are also told to *"give thanks in all circumstances"* in 1 Thessalonians 5:18. We do this not by our own strength, but we are *"...strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might..."* Colossians 1:11. In an article I read, written by R.C. Sproul, he explains "this power being the Holy Spirit, who presently lives in us to remind us of all the blessings we have in Christ Jesus and of our need to thank Him." May you thank God for all His rich blessings.

Many Thanks by Chris Johnson



Let's see, I'll have a little turkey, some of that yummy stuffing, green bean casserole, I can't miss the yams, and I've gotta have a few of these deviled eggs." Those are just some of the thoughts roaming through my mind when it comes to Thanksgiving dinner. I say "some" intentionally because if truth be told there's only so much room on the plate, so I've got to find some extra space or make a double-decker out of a few items.

I love food! If you know me well or have listened to me on the radio then you already know that to be a fact. I enjoy all kinds of food and for me it's not necessarily about the quantity but the quality, the taste, and the presentation. This is one of the reasons I enjoy cooking so much. I'm all into presentation. The Thanksgiving dinner will surely be a big part of our celebration this year as family and friends assemble together to rejoice and thank God for his many blessings that he continually pours out on us.

The Psalmist wrote, Ps 107:21 -22 NKJV *"Oh, that men would give thanks to the Lord for His goodness, And for His wonderful works to the children of men! Let them sacrifice the sacrifices of thanksgiving, And declare His works with rejoicing."*

Here at the Cornerstone we give thanks for each and every one of our listeners! We join the Apostle Paul in saying, *"{we} do not cease to give thanks for you, making mention of you in {our} prayers."* Eph 1:16 What a wonderful joy we have to minister each day to thousands of people around our listening area bringing encouragement and wisdom through the music and the Bible teaching. We pray your holiday season is filled with the joy of the Lord and much thanksgiving!

100% Christmas Music

For the best collection of Christmas music around, tune into The Cornerstone beginning November 27. Catch the best Christmas classics - both new and old.

"A Baby Changes Everything" by the Hagees, "Carol of the Bells" by Various Artists, "Joy to the World" by Chris Tomlin, "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" by Various Artists, "Rose of Bethlehem" by Selah, "O Holy Night" by David Phelps, "Mary Did you Know" by Various Artists, "Jesus, Joy of the Highest Heaven" by Keith & Kristen Getty