

GLORY AND THANKFULNESS – 2
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REVIEW

- God created man to walk in and manifest His glory in the earth.
- Man’s fall was from God’s glory. **ROMANS 3:23**
- In salvation, God’s glory enters the believer.
- In transformation, we’re changed from glory to glory.
- Being thankful in adversity promotes glory. **I PETER 4:12-14**

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Jesus is our example. Imagine being so sure of yourself, so confident in your walk, that just saying thank you brings the glory into manifestation.

1. Thankfulness for food. **JOHN 6:5-14 (NLT)**
 - A. Jesus’ fame was spreading. People wanted to be around Him to hear His message and receive His miracles. He benefited them spiritually, socially and physically.
 - B. Jesus was aware of their needs. He was always looking for ways to bless people spiritually and physically.
 - C. Question – Where can we buy food? 200 denari is about seven months’ pay. Philip states how long he would have to work.
 - D. The little boy. Name unknown, but lunch remembered for all time. Seafood and bread.
 - E. He gave thanks. The glory manifests in thousands being fed with baskets left over.
2. Thankfulness for revelation. **MATTHEW 11:25**
 - A. Jesus just condemned three towns for failing to repent and accept Him as the Messiah.
 - B. Revelation is hidden from those who are wise in their own eyes and revealed to those who are humble as a child. Remember the two on the road to Emmaus?
 - C. **COLOSSIANS 1:9-14** Paul prayed and gave thanks for revelation to be given to this church.
3. Thankful for power to overcome persecution.
1 CORINTHIANS 11:23-25
 - A. A few hours after giving thanks for His body and blood, His body would be broken and blood shed. “Oh what a night” of suffering and persecution Jesus would endure.
 - B. The glory is seen in His going through His suffering without giving up.
4. Thankful for hearing His faith declaration. **JOHN 11:4**
 - A. Imagine the confidence Jesus had in His words. He didn’t pray, He spoke words of faith that He knew the Father heard.
 - B. The glory was seen in the raising of Lazarus from the dead.

DEVELOPING THANKFULNESS

No one becomes thankful instantly or by an impartation. Just as with other virtues, thankfulness requires habitual practice. **HEBREWS 5:12-14 (NLT)**

1. Understanding **1 THESSALONIANS 5:18**. In everything doesn’t mean for everything.
2. Rewire our thinking. Instead of complaining, offer gratitude. Look for the good in our lives instead of always identifying with the bad. The glass half full.
3. Be thankful when all is well. This makes it easier to be thankful when challenged. “It is well”
Horatio Spafford.

CONCLUSION: In order to develop thankfulness, we must submit our thinking to God’s Word and allow the Holy Spirit to transform how we think about the challenges we experience in life.