

A Ministry of Heartsway Baptist Church

WEEK TWELVE • THE POWER OF GRATITUDE | THURSDAY

Prayer with Thanksgiving

Key Truth

Thanksgiving changes prayer from anxious pleading into confident trust in a faithful Father.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE (KJV)

Philippians 4:6-7

"Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God."

Good Morning!

Good morning! Anxiety focuses on what might happen. Prayer brings those concerns into the presence of the God who already knows what we need.

Paul tells us to make our requests with thanksgiving. Before the answer arrives, gratitude remembers who God is, what He has already done, and how faithfully He has cared for us.

Thanksgiving does not make our requests less urgent or honest. It places them within a larger confession: 'Father, I need Your help, and I trust Your heart.'

Bring one anxious concern to God today. Ask clearly, then thank Him deliberately. Thank Him for hearing, caring, guiding, and answering according to His wisdom. As gratitude joins prayer, the peace of God begins guarding the heart and mind.
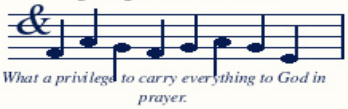
TAKE FIVE CHALLENGE

Take five intentional minutes today.

1. **Read Philippians 4:6-7.**
2. **Name one concern causing anxiety.**
3. **Present that request clearly to God.**
4. **Spend five minutes thanking Him before the answer.**
5. **Write down the truth that gives you peace.**

SONG FOR THE JOURNEY

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"
— Joseph M. Scriven



Grateful prayer rests in the friendship, compassion, and faithful care of Jesus.

SHARE THE BLESSING

Ask someone how you can pray for them. Pray with them, and thank God together for hearing before the answer is visible.



THE GOSPEL IN ONE VERSE



"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

John 3:16 (KJV)

PRAYER

Heavenly Father, I bring You every anxious concern. Thank You for hearing me, loving me, and answering with perfect wisdom. Guard my heart and mind with Your peace. Help me pray honestly, wait trustfully, and give thanks before I see the answer. In Jesus' name, Amen.

PASTOR MIKE'S THOUGHT

Grateful prayer remembers that the answer is still ahead, but the faithfulness of the One who hears us is already proven.

TOMORROW'S TAKE FIVE

Week Twelve • Friday • Thankful in the Ordinary • Colossians 3:17 (KJV)

Walking with you in Christ,
Pastor Mike
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Doing God's work, God's way, in Jesus' name!

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