

Sermon Discussion Guide

Thanksgiving Message

Prayer

Take a few moments at the beginning and end of your group time to pray for each other and for your discussion in God's Word.

Read

Philippians 4:4-9

Main Ideas

This week, we focused on the idea of Christian gratitude and thankfulness as we approach the Thanksgiving holiday. We were encouraged to consider the source of our gratitude- in other words, tracing the gifts, resources, and opportunities we have back to the God who is the giver of "every good and perfect gift" (James 1:17).

We were then encouraged to express that gratitude to another person who has brought us closer to God.

Icebreaker Question

- Are you a Black Friday shopper? What is the best deal that you found?

Discussion Questions

1. What about gratitude comes easily for you? What about it is difficult?
2. How would you explain the differences between Christian gratitude and that of a non-Christian?
3. As a group, read Psalm 100:1-5.
 - a. What does this teach us about what our posture should be when we come to worship?
4. As a group, read 1 Thess. 5:16-18.
 - a. Why are we commanded to give thanks in "all" circumstances?
 - b. Can you think of a time in which that has not been your response?
5. What are you thankful for about this group? How has this community brought you closer to God?
6. What or who are you thankful for? How can you share that this week?