



Talking Turkey About Thanksgiving
Thanksgiving Sunday
1 Chronicles 29:10-19
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Why should I thank God?

1. Because of who He is. (13; see also Psalm 72:19)
2. Because He owns and controls everything. (11, 12)
3. Because He is the source of all I have. (3-4, 12, 14; see also 1 Chronicles 22:14)

How should I thank God?

1. Some of the words that picture true thankfulness.
(10, 13; see also Psalm 34:1-3; 95:4-7; 96:4; 103:1; 104:33; 118:28-29)
2. Some of the character that pictures true thankfulness. (14, 17-19)

In My Life This Week

As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.

Monday. It is Thanksgiving Day. How are you celebrating? Read and pray through King David's Thanksgiving prayer in 1 Chronicles 29:10-20.

Tuesday. Thanksgiving is over but leftovers may be packing your refrigerator. Thankfulness to God, of course is for every day. Why should you thank God today? Especially if today (or this week, this year) is not going well. Review the three reasons from King David's prayer listed in the outline. Personalize these truths. Use them to direct your expressions of thankfulness to God.

Wednesday. Today we move from the *why* of thanking God to the *how*. On Sunday we looked at some words which picture true thankfulness in David's prayer in 1 Chronicles 29 and in Psalm 34:1-3, also from King David. As you review these words, measure your thankfulness by them—your attitude and expression of thankfulness.

Thursday. What do integrity, obedience and giving have to do with thankfulness? They are some of the elements of character that picture and demonstrate a thankful heart. As you review these qualities in verses 14 and 17-19, ask God to help you to continue to grow in being a thankful person.

Friday – Saturday. On Sunday we plan to return to the series in Colossians. In preparation for our time of worship together, read and think through 1:15-23.