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22 Sep 24 | Pray with Thanksgiving | Col 2:6-7; 3:15-17; 4:2 | Michael Johnston

Groups & Families Discussion Questions

Follow along with the sermon and use these questions to dive a little deeper with your group, with your families at home or for your own personal reflection.

Sermon Notes: Can you identify the main point, the subpoints and application of today's message?

Life Group Questions

1. Conversation starter: Did your parents drill saying thank you into you? Can you recall specific incidents of this happening and what the circumstances were?
2. Do you generally follow the ACTS acronym when praying? Have you found it a helpful structure? If so, why? If not, why not?
3. How do you go with thanksgiving in life generally and in prayer specifically?
4. Read 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18. Is this true of you? What is stopping you from living like this and is it a good enough excuse?
5. Is your understanding and gratitude for the gospel big enough that no matter what circumstances come up in life you will still give thanks? Is there evidence of this in your past?
6. How are you going with the application this week?
 - Each morning this week thank God for three different specific 'things'.
 - When in a difficult situation this week, pause and thank God for His Son.
 - Every time you enjoy something say a short prayer of thanksgiving to God.
7. How can we help each other to increasingly pray with thanksgiving this week?