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## **Christian Character: Gratitude**

### **We Strive To Do Everything To The Glory Of God With Gratitude In Our Hearts**

**Romans 13:14** - *Clothe yourself with the presence of the Lord Jesus Christ. And don't let yourself think about ways to indulge your evil desires.*

**Ephesians 4:24** - *Put on your new nature, created to be like God—truly righteous and holy.*

**1 Peter 5:5** - *...And all of you, dress yourselves in humility as you relate to one another, for "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."*

### **The Holy Spirit Provides The Power Internally To Do What God Requires Externally**

**Colossians 3:10-12** - *Put on your new nature, and be renewed as you learn to know your Creator and become like him. <sup>11</sup> In this new life, it doesn't matter if you are a Jew or a Gentile, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbaric, uncivilized, slave, or free. Christ is all that matters, and he lives in all of us. <sup>12</sup> Since God chose you to be the holy people he loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience.*

### **Our Conduct Should Match Our Faith**

**Colossians 3:14-17** - *Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds us all together in perfect harmony. <sup>15</sup> And let the peace that comes from Christ rule in your hearts. For as members of one body you are called to live in peace. And always be thankful. <sup>16</sup> Let the message about Christ, in all its richness, fill your lives. Teach and counsel each other with all the wisdom he gives. Sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs to God with thankful hearts. <sup>17</sup> And whatever you do or say, do it as a representative of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through him to God the Father.*

### **To Practice Any List Of Virtues Without Practicing Love Will Lead To A Loss Of Inner Peace**

### **When There's Peace In Our Heart, There'll Be Praise On Our Lips**

**There's A Significant Relationship Between Our Knowledge Of The Bible And Our Expression Of Thankfulness**

**Thankful People Can Worship Unreservedly**

**Overwhelming Gratitude To God Often Overflows In Praise**

**1 Thessalonians 5:18** - *Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus.*