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Discontentment says "I Need"

Giving thanks is something anyone can do at anytime in the midst of any circumstance.

"Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

1 Thessalonians 5:18

Discontentment will steal your gratitude.

Entitlement says "I Deserve"

"Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows."

James 1:17

"You may say to yourself, My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me. But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth."

Deuteronomy 8:17-18a

- Do you have some enemies of thanks you need to deal with?
- What circumstances are you allowing to overshadow God's goodness?
- What have you received that you have convinced yourself that you deserve?

We have to be intentional and continual in our thanks.

There is a difference between trying and training.

"Praise the Lord my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name."

Psalm 103:1

"Praise the Lord, my soul, and forget not all his benefits - who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion."

Psalm 103:2-4

God wants us to be great at being grateful.