



True Virtue Part 4: Gratitude

GRATITUDE IS THE KEY TO HAPPINESS

1. Gratitude is the door to God's presence.

*Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name.
- Psalm 100:4 NKJV*

2. Gratitude brings freedom.

"But I will sacrifice to You with the voice of thanksgiving; I will pay what I have vowed. Salvation is of the LORD." 10 So the LORD spoke to the fish, and it vomited Jonah onto dry land. - Jonah 2:9-10 NKJV

3. Gratitude is a daily choice.

But at midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. 26 Suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were loosed. - Acts 16:25-26 NKJV

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TALK IT OVER

- Gratitude is the door to God's presence. Have you ever tried starting your prayers with gratitude? What kind of difference do you think it might make in your conversations with God?
- Choosing gratitude means letting go of something else. What grudge, disappointment, or complaint might God be calling you to let go of so you can receive the freedom that comes from gratitude?
 - How could you make gratefulness for everything God's doing a bigger part of your life this week?

Suggested Reading: [True Virtue](#)
Nursery Kids Online Service: [Bible Adventure](#)
KidZone Kids Online Service: [Konnnect](#)

Announcements:

- **Sunday Service @ 10 AM.** Join us in person or online. Visit newlife-saugerties.org and go to the "[service times](#)" page to register to attend in person, or the "[join us from home](#)" page to watch the live stream. You can also find the sermon notes, Bible reading plan, a prayer request form and connection card under "Events" on the [YouVersion Bible App](#).
 - **KidZone** is offered for ages 5-11!
- **Wednesday Evening Services @ 7 PM,** Youth Group for ages 12 to 12th grade, and Adult Bible Study for 18 and up! *NOTE: No services Wednesday November 24. Happy Thanksgiving!*
- **Operation Christmas Child** shoebox collection today! See Melissa Lasher for more info!
- **Youth Group @ Wood'n Wheel** December 3. See Pastor James for more info!
- **Women's Ministry Christmas Party @ New Life** December 3. See Cheryl for more info!
- Please read our most recent **COVID-19 Statement** [HERE](#).