# Colossians 34 — Very grateful — Study

### We are not grateful

* Why do we complain?
  + What are some of the things you complain about?
* Why do we always want more?
* Can you think of a time where you took the credit for something instead of being grateful?

#### Philippians 2:14-15

* What do we take away from what we believe in God when we complain?
* Why shouldn’t the children of God complain?

#### Colossians 3:15

* What does this say about being thankful?
* How do our complaints change when we are grateful?

### Big Idea: God’s children are grateful

#### 1 Thessalonians 5:18

* What does this verse say about being grateful?
* How can we be grateful in every circumstance?

#### Luke 17:11-19

* What can we learn about how God is in this story?
* What do we learned about how we are in this story?

#### Psalms 7:17, Psalms 9:1, Psalms 95:2-3, Psalms 100:4, Psalms 106:1, Psalms 107:8-9

* What draws your attention about these verses?

## Application: Live grateful and always thankful

### Non-Christian: Receive the greatest blessing

* This is an invitation
  + To receive the greatest blessing
  + To be God’s child
* You receive this blessing
  + By surrendering to Him
  + To repent and get baptized
* You would be grateful for all eternity

### Christian: Always live grateful

* Develop the habit
  + To be thankful
* To choose to be thankful
  + In this moment that you think about something
    - You can go on the normal side of complaining
  + Instead, choose to be thankful
* In every moment
  + With every person
  + In any situation
* Instead of complaining
  + When you are about to complain
* When you only see the bad
  + At the flaw
  + Reject it
  + Bite your tongue
* Look at what is actively good
  + At the blessing you have in this very moment
* And be grateful
  + Audibly
  + With words