

I Am Thankful

by Wayne Goff

Space does not permit me to list all the things for which I am thankful, or for which I *should* be thankful. But I choose to list a few things of great importance to me, and I share them with you in the hope that you will reflect on your spiritual blessings as well.

- ☑ *I am thankful for the God of heaven who loved me so much that He gave His only begotten Son to redeem my soul! I cannot overstate my ultimate appreciation to God because without that one thing, life would not be worth living. Because of God's great love I have a wonderful hope of eternal life, promise of the life that now is, kind and caring brethren in the church to go through life with, and a godly family who truly put God first in the home. **Read Ephesians 2:4.***
- ☑ *I am thankful for my parents who first introduced me to Christianity, the Lord's church, and the plan of salvation. I have often wondered if I ever would have found the Truth had I been left to myself to search for it. Several generations before me, the Goff family was introduced to the pure Gospel of Jesus Christ, and it was so easy for me to follow in the footsteps of those who went before me and to hear of the faith of my great-grandparents and grandparents. My own father and mother were completely dedicated to the Lord and His church! It made an eternal impression on me as I witnessed the tremendous sacrifices they made for the Cause of Christ. Only God knows the full extent of their sacrifice.*
- ☑ *I am thankful that I have been able to spend my entire adult life studying God's Word so that I might preach it and teach it to others, while brethren faithfully supported me and my family. Preachers do not get rich from the kind of support given to them, but there is nothing greater than the privilege of being able to study God's Word every working day of my life! I am truly thankful to those who have made this possible.*
- ☑ *I am thankful to the Holy Spirit for revealing the Perfect Law of Liberty (James 1:25). Therein the righteousness of God is revealed, and therein are glimpses of the great and glorious mind of God! It is such a privilege to read, meditate and wonder about the truths found in its pages. I am truly grateful for every Bible I've ever owned and studied.*

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