



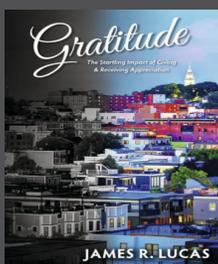
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In the same way, you who are younger must accept the authority of the elders. And all of you, dress yourselves in humility as you relate to one another, for "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." So humble yourselves under the mighty power of God, and at the right time he will lift you up in honor.
1 Peter 5:5-6

BOOK OF THE MONTH



Gratitude
*The Startling Impact of
Giving & Receiving
Appreciation*
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SCRIPTURES

Gratitude

November 1-5

*Psalms 136:1;
Psalms 107:1*

November 6-12

*Psalms 69:30
1 Corinthians 15:57*

November 13-19

*1 Chronicles 16:34
1 Chronicles 29:13*

November 20-26

*Colossians 3:16-17
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18*

November 27-30

Philippians 4:6

Grateful Perspectives From God

Have you ever had a burden on your heart to help certain people, only to realize through your efforts that God set you up for those certain people to help you? God is incredibly genius in the way He teaches us life lessons! How we recognize and respond to His teachings speak volumes about our growth and development in Him.

Time and again, I learn through my experiences with God that some of His greatest giants of faith are found in those senior saints whom we consider feeble and defenseless. You and I analyze their circumstances, and we build up a case to justify why we think they need us to help them in this way or that. But they - in their peace and assurance with God - patiently listen with love, and in turn tell us what should be the conviction of our own faith. They say to us, "*We (the Holy Spirit and I) will have to wait and see what God has to say about this.*"

As time passes, we observe how these saintly beings go on with their life activities in such contentment - no matter how they have to adjust - or how long it may take them to do what they have to do. Through their lives we can see the fulfillment of the Lord's Promise to Joshua as he prepared to take up the mantle of Moses and lead the Israelites into the Promised Land. Moses told Joshua, "*Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the Lord will personally go ahead of you. He will be with you; he will neither fail you nor abandon you*" (Deuteronomy 31:8).

These humbling lessons show us the grateful perspectives from God in action. I tuck His special angels and their precious life lessons deep in my heart, and I walk beside them as they show me how to cherish my loved ones and to embrace each moment of life for the gift that it is in itself. *I hope that you will do the same.*
'Happy Thanksgiving' to all.

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