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Give Thanks #2

## Put Thankfulness into Action!

**Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good... his love endures forever (26x).**

**Psalm 136:1-26**

<sup>31</sup> "When the **Son of Man** comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. <sup>32</sup> All the nations will be **gathered before him**, and he will **separate the people** one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. <sup>33</sup> He will put the **sheep on his right** and the **goats on his left**.

<sup>34</sup> "Then the King will say to those on his right, '**Come, you who are blessed by my Father**; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. <sup>35</sup> For **I was hungry** and **you gave me something to eat**, **I was thirsty** and **you gave me something to drink**, **I was a stranger** and **you invited me in**, <sup>36</sup> **I needed clothes** and **you clothed me**, **I was sick** and **you looked after me**, **I was in prison** and **you came to visit me**.'

<sup>37</sup> "Then the righteous will answer him, '**Lord, when did we see you hungry** and feed you, or **thirsty** and give you something to drink?' <sup>38</sup> **When did we see you a stranger** and invite you in, or **needing clothes** and clothe you?' <sup>39</sup> **When did we see you sick** or **in prison** and go to visit you?'

<sup>40</sup> "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, **whatever you did** for one of **the least** of these brothers and sisters of mine, **you did for me**.'

**Matthew 25:31-40**

➤ **See & respond \_\_\_to others' needs with real care \_\_\_!**

➤ **Remember how \_\_\_Jesus initiated(s) love & care for you \_\_\_!**

<sup>41</sup> "Then the King will say to those on his left, '**Depart from me, you who are cursed**, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels.

<sup>42</sup> For **I was hungry** and **you gave me nothing** to eat, **I was thirsty** and **you gave me nothing** to drink, <sup>43</sup> **I was a stranger** and **you did not invite me in**, **I needed clothes** and **you did not** clothe me, **I was sick and in prison** and **you did not** look after me.'

<sup>44</sup> "They also will answer, '**Lord, when did we see you hungry** or **thirsty** or a **stranger** or **needing clothes** or **sick** or **in prison**, and **did not help you**?'

<sup>45</sup> "He will reply, 'Truly I tell you, **whatever you did not do** for one of **the least** of these, **you did not do for me**.' <sup>46</sup> "Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

**Matthew 25:41-46**

➤ **Don't overlook \_\_\_opportunities to serve Jesus himself \_\_\_!**

➤ **Remember \_\_\_you're at greater risk than those you dismiss \_\_\_!**

## Crossroads Church

*Discovering Life Connected with God!*

### Our Vision

To be a dynamic and diverse family of believers in Jesus Christ connected in transforming relationships with God, each other, and our world!

### Our Purpose and Mission

To connect people with God, God's family, and God's mission through a transforming relationship with Jesus Christ!

### Our Strategy

To fulfill God's purpose in our lives through a balanced commitment to love God with our entire being and to love our neighbor as ourselves, according to God's Great Commandment and Great Commission in the Bible.

### Our Commitment

#### Growth

To speak and act more like Jesus Christ each day of our lives.  
To reach people disconnected from God with the love of Jesus.

#### Relationships

To develop depth, consistency, and closeness in our walk with Jesus.  
To share life and spiritual journey together with each other.

#### Relevance

To apply God's truths and principles to life in practical ways.  
To engage and meaningfully share Jesus with people.

#### Involvement

To participate in church family relationships and responsibilities.  
To discover and contribute our dynamic and diverse abilities.

#### Truth

To value Jesus Christ and the Bible as God's eternal revelation to us.  
To believe and center on Jesus Christ as forgiver and life leader.

## Let's Catch the Vision and Share the Mission Together!

"We are an autonomous, biblically-based church family that actively partners locally and internationally to fulfill our mission to connect people in transforming relationship with Jesus Christ!"