

“Always Be Thankful”
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Text: “And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful”
(Colossians 3:15 NKJV)

Background of Colossians Letter

Ingredients of a sincerely thankful person:

Ingredient 1: “Let the peace of God rule in your hearts”

Shows Christ has preeminence in your life
Gives you the ability to have peace with other believers
Gives us wisdom to make the right decisions

Ingredient 2: “Always be thankful”

Be thankful to God (Col 1:3)(Ps 107:1)
Be thankful for salvation (I Corinthians 15:57)
Be thankful for our ability to share salvation with others (Col 1:12)

Ingredient 3: Exhibit spiritual maturity (Col 2:7)

Be rooted in Christ
See eternal impact over temporary desires

Ingredient 4: Pray with a thankful spirit (Col 4:2)

Thank God more than you ask God
Jesus was thankful (John 11:41)
Show someone, today, you are thankful for them