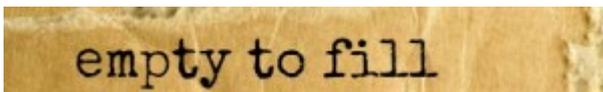


Simple Thanks: Week Six Empty to Fill

" I am the LORD your God, Who brought you out of the land of Egypt; Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it." Psalm 81:10



Jane and I welcome you to Week Six of Simple Thanks! Remember to count it all joy when you fall into various trials, blessings-it's the key to living fully in the moment with God! Life is a gift—rejoice and give thanks.



Introduction to Week 6 Studies

Weekly Homework

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Level 1, Study: Weekly Goals

- For Week 6 please watch *SESSION 5: Empty to Fill*

- Complete the study guide and *between sessions* homework PDFs.
- Add to your 1000 Gifts List.
- Feel free to do any of the other activities from Levels 2 and 3 as your time allows.

Level 2, Community: Weekly Goals

- *For Week 6, please watch SESSION 5: Empty to Fill*
- Complete the study guide and *between sessions* homework PDFs.
- Add your 1000 Gifts List.
- Answer the question on the *Speak Your Mind* comment section at the bottom of this post.
- Join the *Community Call*, Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m. EST on Talk Shoe (Information on *TalkShoe* is in your weekly email.)
- Listen to the *Podcast* above for information empty to fill.

Level 3, Opportunity: Weekly Goals

- *For Week 6, watch SESSION 5: Empty to Fill*
- Complete the *study guide* and *between sessions* homework PDFs.
- Answer the question on the *Speak Your Mind* comment section at the bottom of this post, join the *Community Call* on Wednesday night on *TalkShoe*, and listen to the *Podcast* at the link provided above.
- Don't forget to check out our private [Facebook page](#). Leave your comments about this week's study, post your prayer requests, or share any insights/questions you may have. Only members of our Bible study group will see these posts.
- In the evening, do devotions 21-25 the *One Thousand Gifts Devotional* journal.

- Read chapters 10-11 in *One Thousand Gifts* trade book by Ann Voskamp.
- Take advantage of the Extra Simple resources by clicking on the links below:

Extra Simple Resources

Joyce Meyer Complaints Part Two

For your listening pleasure, please enjoy Mannheim Steamroller's beautiful *Stille Nacht*

Questions of the Week (Please respond in the *Speak Your Mind* section at the very bottom of this page). What is something God has given you that you can regift and pass on to others?

Simple Thanks: Session 4, Trust the Bridge to Joy

"He has put a new song in my mouth- praise to our God: Many will see it and fear, and will trust in the Lord." Psalm 40:3

trust: the bridge to joy

Jane and I welcome you to Week Five of Simple Thanks! Fifty-one, fifty-two, fifty-three ...

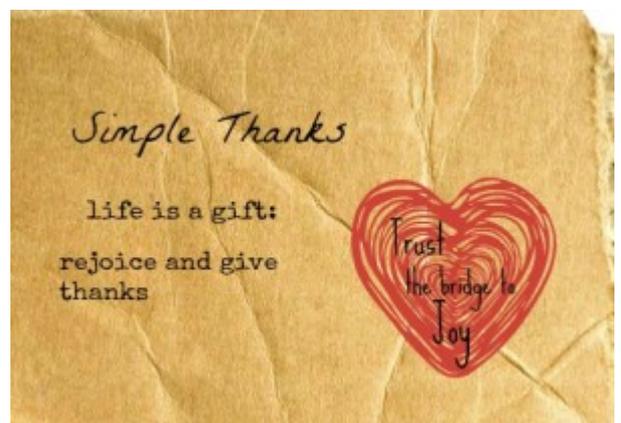
Hopefully you've been so busy counting God's blessings you've forgotten bitterness and unforgiveness. Continue to count your blessings-it's the key to living fully in the moment with God! Life is a gift-rejoice and give thanks.

Introductory Video to Week 4

Community Call

Here is our Community Call for Trust the Bridge to Joy to listen to AFTER you finish the weekly homework: Trust the Bridge to Joy

Weekly Homework



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free to change from Level 1, Level 2, or Level 3 as your schedule allows! **Remember, there is no pressure to complete every activity. These are just options for your growth. They can be accessed at any time, even after the study ends.**

Level 1, Study: Weekly Goals

- For Week 5, watch *SESSION 4: Trust, the Bridge to Joy*.
- Complete the study guide and *between sessions* homework PDFs.
- Add to your one thousand gifts list.
- Feel free to do any of the other activities from Levels 2 and 3 as your time allows.

Level 2, Community: Weekly Goals

- For Week 5, watch *SESSION 4: Trust the Bridge to Joy*.
- Complete the study guide and *between sessions* homework PDFs.
- Add your one thousand gifts list.
- Answer the question on the *Speak Your Mind* comment section at the bottom of this post.
- Join the *Community Call*, Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m. EST on Talk Shoe (Information on *TalkShoe* is in your weekly email.)
- Listen to the *Podcast* for information on walking in trust with God:

Level 3, Opportunity: Weekly Goals

- For Week 5, watch *SESSION 4: Trust, the Bridge to Joy*.
- Complete the *study guide* and *between sessions* homework PDFs.
- Add to your one thousand gifts list.
- Answer the question on the *Speak Your Mind* comment section at the bottom of this post, join the *Community Call* on Wednesday night on *TalkShoe*, and

listen to the *Podcast* at the link provided up above.

- Don't forget to check out our private [Facebook page](#). Leave your comments about this week's study, post your prayer requests, or share any insights/questions you may have. Only members of our Bible study group will see these posts.
- Start your 1000 Gifts List in a separate journal.
- In the evening, do devotions 16-20 in the *One Thousand Gifts Devotional* journal.
- Read chapters 8-9 in *One Thousand Gifts trade book* by *Ann Voskamp*.
- Take advantage of the Extra Simple resources by clicking on the links below (I highly recommend the Joyce Meyer podcast):

[Joyce Meyer: Stop Complaining](#)



[I AM](#)



Hope and Trust

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God is calling you to rest and trust in Him. Please use this beautiful music by Paul Cardall to receive the grace that God has for you this moment.

Questions of the Week (Please respond in the *Speak Your Mind* section at the very bottom of this page).

Name an area of life that God is calling you to entrust to Him. How can you begin to walk with Him in trust concerning this area? What progress have you recently made in trusting God?

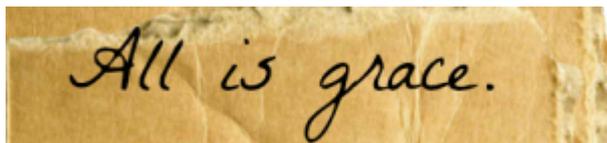
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Simple Thanks: Session Three,

All Is Grace

“To console those who mourn in Zion, to give them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they may be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that He may be glorified.”

Isaiah 61:3



Jane and I welcome you back to Week Three of Simple Thanks! Thanksgiving breathes life into our dark, hard places.

Thanksgiving also dares us to live fully in the moment. Let the habit of thanksgiving permeate your heart and mind as God continues to shower His grace upon you. Give Him your ashes of bitterness and ingratitude and in return accept one thousand gifts of beauty and grace. Life is a gift—rejoice and give thanks!



Here is our introduction video to Week 3:

Community Call

Here is our Community Call for All Is Grace to listen to AFTER you finish the weekly homework: All Is Grace

Weekly Homework

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Level 1, Study: Weekly Goals

- For Week 3, watch *SESSION 3: All is Grace*.
- Continue to add to your *One Thousand Gifts* journal.
- Complete the study guide and *between sessions* homework PDFs.
- Feel free to do any of the other activities from Levels 2 and 3 as your time allows.

Level 2, Community: Weekly Goals

- For Week 3, watch *SESSION 3: All is Grace*.
- Continue to add to your *One Thousand Gifts* journal.
- Complete the study guide and *between sessions* homework PDFs.
- Answer the question on the *Speak Your Mind* comment section at the bottom of this post.
- Join the *Community Call*, Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m. EST on Talk Shoe (Information on *TalkShoe* is in your weekly email.)
- Listen to the *Podcast* for information on walking in the grace of God:

Level 3, Opportunity: Weekly Goals

- For Week 3, watch *SESSION 3: All is Grace*.
- Continue to add to your *One Thousand Gifts* journal.
- Complete the *study guide* and *between sessions* homework PDFs.
- Answer the question on the *Speak Your Mind* comment section at the bottom of this post, join

the *Community Call* on Wednesday night on *TalkShoe*, and listen to the *Podcast* at the link provided up above.

- Don't forget to check out our private [Facebook page](#). Leave your comments about this week's study, post your prayer requests, or share any insights/questions you may have. Only members of our Bible study group will see these posts.
- In the evening, do devotions 11-15 in the *One Thousand Gifts Devotional* journal.
- Read chapters 6-7 in *One Thousand Gifts trade book* by *Ann Voskamp*.
- Take advantage of the Extra Simple resources by clicking on the links below:



[Give Thanks](#)



[Count Your Blessings](#)

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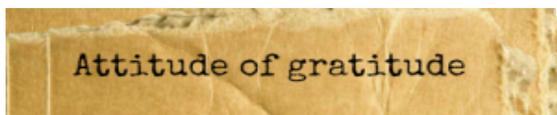
As we count the many blessings that God has bestowed upon us, please enjoy this beautiful music by Paul Cardall:

Questions of the Week (Please respond in the *Speak Your Mind* section at the very bottom of this page).

How has God turned the ugly to beautiful in your life?

Simple Thanks: Session One Attitude of Gratitude

"Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it all of you. For this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins." Matthew 26:27



Jane and I welcome you to Week One of Simple Thanks! We are very excited to be with you during this journey into the simple thankfulness. In the weeks leading up to this study, we have been praying for you. Thank you for answering God's call; it is not an accident that you have joined this study. God is calling us to live fully in the moment. Life is a gift—rejoice and give thanks.

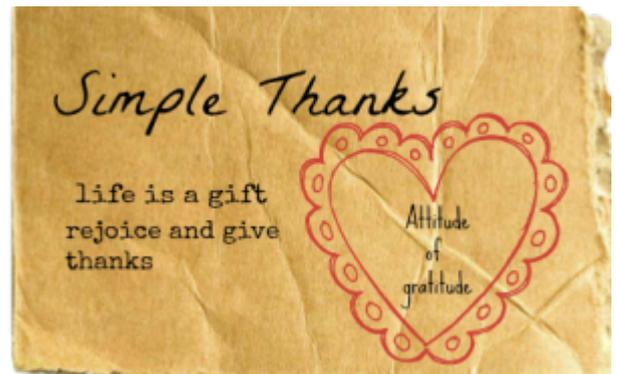
Introductory Video for Week One

Here is our short video with our Bible verse to introduce Week 1.

Here is our TalkShoe Webinar from week 1 if you missed the live call-in:

Weekly Homework

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Level 1, Study: Weekly Goals

- For Week 1, watch *SESSION 1:Attitude of Gratitude, Ann's video.*
- Take time to notice and thank God for His simple gifts.
- Complete the study guide and *Between Sessions* homework PDFs.
- Start your 1000 Gifts List in a separate journal.
- Feel free to do any of the other activities from Levels 2 and 3 as your time allows.

Level 2, Community: Weekly Goals

- For Week 1 watch *SESSION 1:Attitude of Gratitude.*
- Take time to notice and thank God for His simple gifts.
- Complete the study guide and *between sessions* homework PDFs.
- Start your 1000 Gifts List in a separate journal.
- Answer the question on the *Speak Your Mind* comment section at the bottom of this post.
- Join the *Community Call*, Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m.

EST on Talk Shoe (Information on *TalkShoe* is in your weekly email.)

- Read [Thankfulness, the Way of Jesus](#) from the Soul Shepherding website.

Level 3, Opportunity: Weekly Goals

- For Week 1, watch *SESSION 1:Attitude of Gratitude*.
- Take time to notice and thank God for His simple gifts.
- Complete the study guide and *between sessions* homework PDFs.
- Answer the question on the *Speak Your Mind* comment section at the bottom of this post, join the *Community Call* on Wednesday night on *TalkShoe*, and listen to the *Podcast* at the link provided up above.
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- Start your 1000 Gifts List in a separate journal.
- In the evening, do devotions 1-5 in the *one thousand gifts devotional* journal.
- Read chapters 1-3 in *One Thousand Gifts trade book* by *Ann Voskamp*.
- Take advantage of the Extra Simple resources by clicking on the links below:

[From Grumbling to Gratitude](#)

Please take a few moments to worship and express your gratitude to God through music for His many blessing and gifts.

Questions of the Week (Please respond in the *Speak Your Mind* section at the very bottom of this page).

What simple gift are you most thankful for this week?