

## E-DEVOTION FOR THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26, THANKSGIVING DAY, 2020

Many families have the tradition of going around the Thanksgiving dinner table and one by one stating what each person is thankful for that year.

I remember doing that when I was small and having that panicky feeling... "What should I say?" It's kind of like trying to come up with a Jeopardy answer that won't illustrate how 'dumb' you really are!

So... I decided today, Thanksgiving Day, 2020 I should share with you what it is that makes my heart swell with gratitude today.

Here we go:

Faith. I'm so thankful that my faith is still sustaining me. Even after all these years and the many questions I have troubled God with in my moments of doubt. FAITH. I guess that's my number 1.

Family. We're sure not the "Perfect Family." We've had our struggles and our pains. But I am so grateful that after 54 years my wife still tolerates my many quirks, my bad habits, my 'weirdness.' And my children... my grandchildren. I often wonder if they know how much they are loved by their father? Their grandfather?

Work. I've had the pleasure of sharing my faith and my life with people who were receptive to the Gospel these many years. I think back of all those good souls who fed me and loved me and listened to me, even when I wasn't all that sure of what I was saying.

Life. The idea that God gives me one more day to be God's servant in this world. The sunrise as I face each day and the sunset as it comes to an end.

There's more, of course. But today... Thanksgiving, 2020... take time to tell one another and God what it is that has filled your heart with gratitude.

And wear a mask. Wash your hands, fold them and bow your head. Give Thanks.

*Give thanks with a grateful heart  
Give thanks to the Holy One  
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son  
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*And now let the weak say, "I am strong"  
Let the poor say, "I am rich"  
Because of what the Lord has done for us"*

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*HAPPY THANKSGIVING! Pastor Ken Nyhusmoen*