

## Gratitude

Col 3:16 NIV

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.

- I. Three Common Characteristics of the Consistently Happy
  - A. Integrity
  - B. Kindness
  - C. Gratitude (our 4 goals for our daughters)
- II. Gratitude -- Webster Defines It As: "Being Appreciative of Benefits Received"
  - \* Our oldest daughter's graduation as a life lesson
- III. Who or What Give You Benefits
  - A. God
  - B. Family and Friends
  - C. Employer
  - D. Employees and Co-workers
  - E. Clients
  - F. Those Who Serve You
  - G. Circumstances
    - 1. Apparent Obstacles
    - 2. Apparent Failures
    - 3. Apparent Tragedies

1 Thess 5:16-18 NIV

16 Be joyful always; 17 pray continually; 18 give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

