One Another – Part Four: Gratitude 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 June 22, 2025

- 1. Of all people, believers should be characterized by gratitude.
 - We know it's God's will for us (1 Thessalonians 5:18; Colossians 2:6-7; 3:15)
 - We don't want to act like we don't know God (2 Timothy 3:2)
- 2. For a believer, gratitude is rooted in God.
 - We see ourselves as incredibly blessed by God (2 Corinthians 9:15; Hebrews 12:28)
 - We are thankful we can please Him (Romans 6:17-18)
 - Our gratitude is a heartfelt thank-offering to Him (Psalm 116:12,17)
 - It triumphs over all circumstances (Ephesians 5:20)
- 3. Because of this gratitude toward God, a believer is thankful toward others.
 - It begins with thanking God for them (1 Corinthians 1:1-9; 1 Timothy 2:1)
 - We replace harmful or useless conversation with thanksgiving (Ephesians 5:4)
 - We express gratitude because:
 - √ they are fellow-believers (2 Thessalonians 1:3-4)
 - √ they treat others right (2 Thessalonians 1:3-4)
 - ✓ we can depend on them (Philippians 2:19-20)
 - √ they've made sacrifices for us (2 Corinthians 12:15)
 - √ they enrich our lives (1 Thessalonians 3:9)
 - √ we want to enrich their lives (1 Samuel 23:16; 2 Samuel 1:26)