



**B**ack to basics” is a common expression. Sometimes when people get into a system of things that gets too convoluted and needs a restart, they use this saying. Religion is the same way. When you need to step back and see the forest instead of just individual trees. The morning sermon will be just a basic sermon on gospel obedience and the motivation to do what God said. Tonight is a 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday night so we go into Questions and Answers.

**In Need of Prayer:** Becky Shaw was in the hospital for a few days but she is now out. Her heart got out of rhythm again. The plans now are for her to have a pace-maker put in. Kevin Gerald has been unable to get a procedure that can get to the root of his problem, but as he is able to stay active the fluid levels stay down. He is at home. Dewayne Fox is in very poor health at home in Clay Co. Ezra Proffitt is now receiving hospice care at home. Our complete prayer list is at [www.mtgileadchurch.net](http://www.mtgileadchurch.net)!

**Fifth Sunday:** Every fifth Sunday we use everything above our average contribution for extra benevolence. Any extra you give will have a big impact on the ones we help. Consider giving an additional amount today.

**IN EVERYTHING GIVE THANKS**

“In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you” (1 Thessalonians 5:18). This statement Paul wrote to the church of Thessalonica is one that should be applied to our lives daily. During the holiday season, there is an emphasis on the need for being thankful. However, if we adopt the attitude Paul commanded, we will give thanks “in every thing,” at all times, and not just during Thanksgiving.

Notice that Paul admonished to “give thanks.” This term implies that God wants His children not only to feel thankful, but also to “express” gratitude and thanksgiving. Paul taught this same principle in writing to the church at Ephesus: “Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ” (Ephesians 5:20). It will do us all good to “give” thanks to God through prayer.

By offering prayers of thanksgiving to God, we are reminded that we are dependent on God for all things. Every “good and perfect” gift is from God (James 1:17). Without His blessings upon our lives, we would have nothing. “For in him we live, and move, and have our being” (Acts

17:28). Every breath, every meal, every ray of sunshine is from His bountiful hand.

Further, consider that Paul instructed us to give thanks “in everything.” He did not teach that we should be thankful “for” everything. Certainly, we should not be thankful “for” gang violence, child abuse, broken homes or divorce. Nevertheless, Christians can learn to be thankful “in” all circumstances. For the Christian, there is always a “bright side.” In all circumstances, there is the quiet confidence and calm assurance that comes from knowing God and being close to Him. The Father has promised that He will never leave or forsake His children (Hebrews 13:5-6). Finally, notice from the text that being thankful is “the will of God in Christ Jesus.” Jesus taught in the Sermon on the Mount that “doing the Father’s will” is necessary to go to heaven: “Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven” (Matthew 7:21). “Doing” the Father’s will is vital! It is only by doing His will that we can enter into the kingdom of heaven. We might think that “doing the Father’s will” involves some “great” accomplishment that would dazzle others who heard of it. But Paul taught that simply being thankful in everything is part of doing God’s will.

In view of these thoughts, we should all realize the great importance of being thankful. If we have not been “giving thanks in everything,” then a change is in order. A day should not pass without every responsible person giving thanks to God for the countless blessings He provides. *Mark LindleyRipley, TN*

**JULY 29, 2018**

Welcome	Bobby Dale Gerald	
Announcements:	Bobby Dale Gerald	
Opening Prayer:	Mike Starnes	
Closing Prayer:	Carlene Wheeler	
Scripture Reading:	McKale High	
Song Leader:	Jarad Bartley	
Head Table:	Greg Houchens	
Wait on Table:	Darrell Emberton	Jimmy High
	Trevor high	Wendell Emberton
Ushers:	Jeff Gerald	Ray Cecil Lyon
Main Door Greeter:	Kevin Deckard	
Side Door Greeter:	Jimmy High	
Kitchen Dr Greeter:	Ray Cecil Lyon	

**What must I do?**

- ) **Hear the Gospel - Acts 15:7**
- ) **Believe the Gospel - Mark 16:15,16**
- ) **Repent of Sins - Acts 17:30**
- ) **Confess Christ - Rom. 10:9,10**
- ) **Be Baptized for the Forgiveness of Sins - Acts 2:38**

Then, as a Christian we must:

- ) **LIVE FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH - REV. 2:10**

**Birthdays**

Jimmie	Proffitt	08/01
Virginia	Smith	08/01
Shawn	Massingille	08/02
Gary	Bartley	08/04
Paisley	Ford	08/04
Mary	Jackson	08/04
Dalton	Stoops	08/05

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Schedule of Services:

**Sunday:** Bible Study... 9:30am  
 Morning Worship...10:05am  
 Evening Worship... 6pm  
**Wednesday:** Bible Study... 6pm

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