

1 Corinthians

Thanksgiving—1 Corinthians 1:1–9

Open It

1. What are you most thankful for today?
2. When was a time you were especially thankful for someone else? Why?

1 Corinthians 1:1–9 (ESV)

1Paul, called by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and our brother Sosthenes,
2To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:
3Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
4I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus,
5that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge—
6even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—
7so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ,
8who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
9God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Explore It

3. What kind of people were the Corinthian Christians? (1:2)
4. What words of affirmation did Paul have for his readers? (1:2–3)
5. For what traits of the Corinthians did Paul thank God? (1:4–9)
6. In what ways had the Corinthian Christians been “enriched”? Why? (1:5–6)
7. What did the Corinthian Christians have? (1:7)
8. Why did the Corinthians not lack for any spiritual gift? (1:7)
9. For what period of time were the Corinthians’ spiritual gifts given? (1:7)
10. How would the Corinthians be able to live as God called them? (1:8–9)
11. How are Christians able to live as God has called them? (1:8–9)

Get It

12. For what should we thank God?
13. How is a person enriched by trusting in Christ?
14. How can your gifts be used in service to Jesus as we wait for His return?

Apply It

15. How can you remind yourself to say thank you to God at least once each day this week?