Gratitude

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Gratitude: The quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness.

1. AGING.

"Show me, O LORD, my life's end and the number of my days; let me know how fleeting is my life. ⁵ You have made my days a mere handbreadth; the span of my years is as nothing before you. Each man's life is but a breath. Psalm 39:4-5 (NIV)

2. TAXES.

For because of this you also pay taxes, for rulers are servants of God, devoting themselves to this very thing. ⁷ Render to all what is due them: tax to whom tax is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honor to whom honor.

Romans 13:6-7 (NASB)

3. TRAFFIC.

Where no oxen are, the manger is clean, But much revenue comes by the strength of the ox. Proverbs 14:4 (NASB)

4. MISTAKES.

For a righteous man falls seven times, and rises again, But the wicked stumble in time of calamity. Proverbs 24:16 (NASB)

5. PROBLEMS.

Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, ³ because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. ⁴ Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

James 1:2-4 (NIV)

Isaiah 55:9 (NASB)

"For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways And My thoughts than your thoughts.

1 Corinthians 2:14 (NIV)

The man without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him, and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually discerned.

It's all about perspective

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