

“Thanksgiving 2011 – The Marks of a Spirit-filled Christian”
(Ephesians 5:15-21; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

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(Luke 17:11-19)

I. Why Not Give Thanks to God

- A. Reject “_____”; No need to Give Thanks (Rom 1:16-22)...
- B. Entitlement Mentality: _____
- C. Spirit of _____
- D. Forgetfulness of God’s Blessings in the _____ (cf. Deuteronomy 4:9, 6:12) and in the _____ (cf. Deuteronomy 8:17-18; Ps 103:1-2)

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II. The Marks of a Spirit-filled Christian

- A. An Invitation to be Conformed to the Spirit-filled Life of Jesus Christ (Luke 4:1, 14, 18-19; Eph 5:15-18)
 - 1. Understanding God’s Will (vv 15-17): Discover God’s Purpose by using our _____ Transformed by the Word of God, Prayer, Meditation, and Worship
 - 2. Being Filled with the Spirit (v 18): _____ by the Holy Spirit

B. The 3 Marks of a Spirit-Filled Believer (Eph 5:19-21)

- 1. _____ (v 19; cf. Gal 5:22; Phil 4:11)

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- 2. _____ (v 20)

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- 3. _____ (v 21)

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**To be Joyful, Submissive, and Thankful year round –
these are the Marks of a Believer
who lives a Spirit-Filled Life. Does your life bear these Marks?**

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