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- 2. **To be thankful _____ to God.** (Luke 17:11-19)
- 3. **To be thankful _____ as we _____ what God has done for us.** (Deuteronomy 6:12, Deuteronomy 27:1-8, 1 Samuel 17:32-37)

(A side benefit of thankfulness is that it is _____ . It makes us realize how blessed we are, which in turn affects our mental health.)

- 4. **To be thankful for EVERYTHING _____ .** (1 Thessalonians 5:18)

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- 2. To be thankful brings glory to God.** (Luke 17:11-19)
- 3. To be thankful builds our faith as we remember what God has done for us.** (Deuteronomy 6:12, Deuteronomy 27:1-8, 1 Samuel 17:32-37)

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