



# GROUPS AT CROSS POINT

## BREAKING THE ICE

Are you a turkey or ham fan for Thanksgiving?

Do you prefer Thanksgiving sides or desserts more?



## MAIN CONTENT

Last week Pastor Kevin talked about being habitually generous.

1. How were you generous this week?

Being generous can happen in multiple ways, financially, with your time and/or with your resources. Over the next few weeks, we will be talking about how to be generous, “For the One.” “For the One” refers to the vision for Cross Point for 2020. Check out [crosspoint.tv/fortheone](http://crosspoint.tv/fortheone) for more information on how you can be praying for the one.

2. Where do you feel God leading you in generosity to be “For the One?”

This week, Pastor Drew talked about being thankful and how thankfulness and gratefulness is the key to God’s presence in our lives.

3. Who is the most grateful person you know? How does their gratefulness/thankfulness impact your life?

We get so consumed with the stress in our own lives that we forget to be thankful. We are so worried about our own personal problems (which are legitimate) that we forget to thank God for who He is and what He has done for us.





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4. What are the things in your life that keep you from being thankful?

We get so distracted with things, that we can forget what it looks like to serve God. Even if He doesn't answer our prayers as we want, we still continue to worship Him for who He is.

Following Jesus isn't always easy but His presence will always be with us.

Our scripture reference for the message comes from Daniel. Read Daniel 3:14-27

5. Where did you see gratefulness/thankfulness play out in this scripture?

6. What can you learn from the presence of God and the thankfulness in this passage of scripture?

Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego chose to seek God in the midst of their trials and God's presence was with them.

7. How can you engage more of the presence of God in your life and the tough things you are going through?

One way to experience more of God's presence is to praise Him. His presence is everything we need. When we praise God and are grateful for Him and the things He has done in our lives, our perspective shifts.

8. Where do you need to be grateful and change your perspective in your life right now?

9. Where do you need to invite His presence in your life right now?





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## PRAYER

God, thank you for your presence. Thank you for who you are in our lives. Will you remind us of who you are? Will you show us who you are. We don't want to miss you or what you have for our lives. No matter how hard it may be, we know your presence can get us through. Don't let us miss you.

## ACTION STEP

You should have received a prayer card on your way out of service on Sunday. If you missed the card, we have the information for you!

This week write down 10 things you are thankful for. Thank God for these things every day.

When you feel stressed or need to be reminded of God's presence and His Son, pray the following prayer:

In our pain, struggle, brokenness and unfair circumstances... Jesus, don't let us miss you.

In our traditions, disciplines, rituals, church attendance and good deeds... Jesus, don't let us miss you.

In our doubts, fears, skepticism, cynicism, questions and wondering... Jesus, don't let us miss you.

May our hearts be filled with gratitude for all You are, for the cross, for the hope of eternity... Jesus, don't let us miss you.

