



THANKSGIVING A 5-COURSE MENU

Psalm 100 reminds us that we are to, "Enter His gates with Thanksgiving; go into His courts with praise. Give thanks to Him and praise His name." This Thanksgiving as we sit down at the dinner table with family and friends, let's recapture the meaning and the purpose behind this holiday. This 5-course menu is meant to be used with your family right before you take part in your Thanksgiving feast. Parents and Grandparents, lead the way and utilize this important time to continue to disciple your children in their love for God.

OPTIONS

Depending on the time that you have: Assign each person a course from the dinner plate and have them share something they are thankful for in regard to their course // Go through each course and have everyone at the table share one thing // Parents and Grandparents, go back and forth sharing with your kids what you are thankful for about each course // Put the numbers in a hat and have everyone draw what they will be saying they are thankful for.

Parents and Grandparents, when you get to course 4 (How you see God at Work) take this as an opportunity to speak over your kids. Tell them how you see that God has uniquely made them with their giftings, personality, and how you see His love and nature revealed in their life. Let this be a moment of powerful encouragement they will remember for years.

THE 5-COURSES ON THE MENU | WHAT WE ARE THANKFUL FOR!

1. Who God is... Psalm 100:3, "Acknowledge that the LORD is God! He made us, and we are his. We are his people, the sheep of his pasture."

2. What He has done... Psalm 107:2, "Has the LORD redeemed you? Then speak out! Tell others he has redeemed you from your enemies."

3. His countless blessings... James 1:17, "Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows."

4. How you see Him at work... 1 Thessalonians 5:11, "So encourage each other and build each other up, just as you are already doing."

5. End in prayer... Philippians 4:6, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."

