



Faithfulness of God Series - Episode II

"Thanksgiving" - Pastor Mark Batten

Happy Thanksgiving

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2. Thank God For Your _____.

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(Acts 28:15)

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3. Thank God Through Your _____.

"Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance" (James 1:2-3)

"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus". (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

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4. Thank God Especially For _____.

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