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Two men are walking identical roads. The same blessings and the same problems meet them along the way.

One man is forever giving thanks.

The other is forever complaining.

The man with the thankful heart.... turns his circumstances into joy.

He is given eyes to see beyond the visible to the invisible God who is renewing all things through the death and resurrection of his Son.

The man with the complaining heart sees only trouble wherever he turns.



His life is desolate and he brings the chill of despair to everything he touches.

The complaining heart will always have much to complain about.

The thankful heart will increasingly have things to give thanks for.



Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever! Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom he has redeemed from trouble....

Some wandered in desert wastes, finding no way to a city to dwell in; hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them.

Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress. He led them by a straight way till they reached a city to dwell in.

Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of man! For he satisfies the longing soul, and the hungry soul he fills with good things.

Psalm 107: 1-2, 4-9

Prayer: Father, Lord, help us to be like the man with the thankful heart. Giving thanks in all that lies before us. Help us to see joy in our troubles because we trust in your steadfast love. Because you satisfy our longing and hungry souls with good things, with your very presence and goodness. Amen.

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