

The Purple Corner

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Don't Forget to Say, Thank You

How many times have you received a gift and forgot to say, thank you? I am not speaking of any humungous gift like a million dollars, a new car, a bigger/better house or any other material possession. I'm talking about a time when someone simply opened the door for you or got up and offered you their seat. It may have been a time when someone you had not heard from in a long time called just to say, "You were on my mind." So often we take for granted the little things that make our lives so much richer. Too often this includes persons who live in the same household with us or the person in the next cubicle at work or even the neighbor who picked up a piece of trash from our yard. These little things that may seem ever so insignificant at the time can come to have a whole new meaning when one day you wake up and find those wonderful persons are no longer with us.

During this month of November we celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday to commemorate the first Thanksgiving that was shared with people of different backgrounds and cultures but who found a way to come together for a common cause. Don't you wish this could be the picture of our society today? The Democrats and Republicans, the Christians and the Jews, the young and the old, the rich and the poor, the women and the men, the Blacks and the Whites and any and all other labels that divide us could be pushed aside so that we could come together, One Nation Under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for ALL. What a time of rejoicing that would be!

As you move throughout your homes, neighborhoods, cities and states don't forget to say "thank you." Say it to the ones who have been nice to you. Say it to the ones who have despitely used you. Say it to the ones who have totally ignored you. Say it to the ones far and near. Most importantly say it to the One, who created you, provides for you, saved you, and gave His life for you and who continues to love you, in spite of ...

Let me practice what I preach by saying to all of you,

THANK YOU!

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