

WHERE THANKSGIVING ABOUNDS



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7 Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the **faith**, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with **thanksgiving**.

I. THE COMMAND TO CONTINUE BY FAITH

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so walk ye in him:

A. Salvation is an Act of Faith

Eph. 2:8 For **by grace are ye saved through faith**; and that not
of yourselves: *it is* the gift of God:

9 **Not of works**, lest any man should boast.

10 For **we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto
good works**, which God hath before ordained that **we should
walk in them.**

B. Sanctification is Activated by Faith

Jn. 17:17 **Sanctify them through thy truth:** thy word is truth.

Rom. 10:17 So then **faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.**

2 Tim. 2:21 If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, **sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work.**

1 Pet. 3:15 But **sanctify the Lord God in your hearts:** and *be* ready always to *give* an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:

II. THE CHRISTIAN CONDUCT TO FOLLOW

Col. 2:7 Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the **faith**, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with **thanksgiving**.

A. The Foundation Focuses upon Christ – “Rooted and built up **in him**...”

1 Cor. 3:11 For other **foundation** can no man lay than that is laid, **which is Jesus Christ**.

Original Word: ῥιζόω

Transliteration: rhizóó

Usage: I cause to take root; met: I plant, fix firmly, establish.

<https://biblehub.com/greek/4492.htm>

Original Word: ἐποικοδομέω

Transliteration: epoikodomeó

Usage: I build upon (above) a foundation.

epoikodoméō (from *epí*, "apt, fitting on," which intensifies *oikodoméō*, "to build up, edify") –

properly, appropriately build on, following a plan with pre-designed (pre-defined) specifications.

<https://biblehub.com/greek/2026.htm>

B. The Faithfulness is Founded upon Christ – “...and stablished in the faith...”

Original Word: βεβαιῶ

Transliteration: bebaioó

Usage: I confirm, ratify, secure, establish; pass: I guarantee. (stablished)

bebaióō – properly, to walk where it is solid (reliable, guaranteed); hence, make *sure* (fully reliable) <https://biblehub.com/greek/950.htm>

C. The Fruitfulness Filling the Christian – “...as ye have been taught, abounding therein with **thanksgiving**.”

Original Word: περισσεύω

Transliteration: perisseuó

Usage: (a) intrans: I exceed the ordinary (the necessary), abound, overflow; am left over, (b) trans: I cause to abound.

périsseúō (from *perí*, "all-around" which indicates abundance or surplus) – properly, **exceed, go beyond the expected measure, i.e. above and beyond** ("more than . . ."); "what goes further (more), *surpasses*" (J. Thayer). <https://biblehub.com/greek/4052.htm>

Conclusion

Rom. 15:13 Now the God of hope **fill you with all joy** and peace in believing, **that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.**

1 Cor. 15:58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, **always abounding in the work of the Lord**, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

2 Cor.9:8 And **God is able to make all grace abound toward you**; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all *things*, may abound to every good work:

Phil. 1:9 And this I pray, that **your love may abound yet more and more** in knowledge and *in* all judgment;

1 Thess. 3:12 And the Lord make you to increase and **abound in love one toward another**, and toward all *men*, even as we *do* toward you:

1 Thess. 4:1 Furthermore then we beseech you, brethren, and exhort *you* by the Lord Jesus, that as ye have received of us **how ye ought to walk and to please God, so ye would abound more and more.**

