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# What Are You Most Thankful For?

EVERY year, when Thanksgiving time comes, someone asks me this question: "What are you most thankful for?" Perhaps someone will ask each one of you this question this year. And if they do many of you will say, "For Father and Mother," or "For my home," or perhaps for some new toy or other gift that you have received. When I was your age I probably was thankful for just about the same things most of you are thankful for. These things are all good, and if you stop to think a moment you can add many, many more that are just as good.

This year I want to give whoever asks me the question the very best answer that I can possibly think of, and I want to be honest in my answer. Before you read the rest of this, I wish you would stop and think what you are most thankful for-just be still a few minutes and think.

Now I will tell you what I am most thankful for. I am most thankful for God, and this is my reason: Because God is all good, and when I say I am thankful for God, I am really saying I am thankful for every thing in the world that is good—Father and Mother, all my family and friends, my home, my church, the books I read, the music I hear, the joy of knowing all of you through WEE WISDOM, truly for every single good thing in my whole life—and, yes, for my life too. For every good thing comes from God. The apostle James says: "Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming . . . from the Father of lights.'

God gave me not only life and everything that I have, but He gives me also His love and His care. Why does He do all this for me? Because I am His child, and He loves me.

When Thanksgiving comes, Father will provide your Thanksgiving dinner, and Mother will prepare it. Why do they do this? Because you are their child, and they love you very much. They do not ask you to pay for your dinner. All that they ask is that you show your thanks for their care by being loving and obedient. And that is all that our heavenly Father asks of any of us.

I am truly thankful for God.



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The things for which I'm thankful Would make so long a list, That it would fill a great big book, If none of them were missed.

The blessings that I have at home And those at school and play Are things that I am thankful for All the livelong day.

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