

Why Wait to Be Thankful

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Every year we seem to wait till Thanksgiving rolls around to stop and think of what we should be grateful for. But for me that all changed about six and a half years ago. As you know most of the Grove burned, as did my home. For quite some time Beverly Rose (my wife) and I had trouble getting to sleep and staying asleep. As time passed we tried all sorts of things to get some rest. At last we hit upon the idea of telling the Infinite One all the things that we were grateful for. At first the list seemed short; but we kept working on the idea even when we weren't trying to get to sleep. Soon the list grew quite large and as we gave thanks before trying to sleep we would often fall asleep before we were done. You might ask what kind of things were we grateful for? Well for one Beverly and I were not hurt in the fire, that we saved two out of three cars. No one and no pets were hurt in the fire, we all got out safely. A friend gave seven of us a place to stay till we could get back on our feet. These are just a few of the things that we were grateful for. Six or so years later we still find many things to be grateful for. Covid happened, we still have jobs, elections ... a chance at New beginnings; friends, those still with us as well as those who have passed on but still come back to visit and help us. If you will just MAKE THE TIME to sit down and think about all the good in your life, you will see that you have much to be grateful for. Don't wait... DO IT NOW. Make it a habit to count your blessings and you will see how your outlook on life shifts to the positive and also how the Infinite One continues to shower you with blessings.