

Humble, Grateful, Focused, and Faithful

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Main Idea

Remembering God's undeserved kindness toward us produces humility and gratitude, leading to godliness toward others and a focused faithfulness in our lives.

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 - c. Seeking the good of others

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 - c. Be a fruitful church

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