

The Qualities of Thanksgiving

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There are many qualities that we need to have during Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving is a special time that brings families together. Here are some of the qualities that you need to have Thanksgiving.

First, you need to have **gratitude** for being thankful. Thanksgiving is a time to be grateful for everything that you have. You can give thanks to God, and thank Him for everything He gave you. You can be grateful to your family for buying or making the food. You can show that you are grateful, too. You can say, "Thank you," to them, or do a kind deed for them. As for God, you can say prayers like the Rosary. You can also go to church with your family. This will bring families together - and that is also what Thanksgiving is about.

Secondly, another quality you need to have Thanksgiving is **love**. To be loving is a very nice trait. Thanksgiving needs love, and families love and they care. If families didn't love, then Thanksgiving couldn't be, because at Thanksgiving families have a delicious, big dinner together, go to Church together, and they even can pray together. God loves us, and we love Him. So, without love we wouldn't have Thanksgiving.

Next, a quality you need to have Thanksgiving is **faithfulness**. We need to have faith in God at Thanksgiving. He is the reason we are here. We go to Church, pray, and give thanks to Him. Additionally, we need to have faith in our parents. They do so much for us and they try so hard to strive in being the best parents. They nurture us, with food and water, they bring us to Church which helps us with our faith.

Finally, one more quality you need to have for Thanksgiving is **empathy**. Empathy is showing your emotions to others. So, when Thanksgiving comes, you need to show that you really care. Pray to God to tell Him that you are thankful for everything you have. Tell your parents, "Thank you," or do something nice for them to THANK them for what they have given you. As a result, try to be nicer to your siblings to show that you really care about them.

Those are some qualities that are needed to have Thanksgiving. Each one is different and important. All these qualities bring families together, and that is what Thanksgiving is all about.