

## **“Giving Thanks In All Things...”**

“Give thanks in all things”, he said, for...  
problems I have  
people that trouble me  
weaknesses I can't overcome  
character failures that follow me  
for questions that have no answer

When I give thanks in all things, I find that...  
rationalizing is laid to rest  
bitterness comes out by the roots  
pride is exposed and I can live again  
weakness yields to peace  
strength bows to worship

When I give thanks in all things, I enjoy...  
a mind that is restful in the midst of turmoil  
feelings that can love instead of accuse  
knowing that Jesus actually lives in me  
flowers and sun instead of thunder and thorns  
finding purpose in life instead of despair

And above all, when giving thanks, I discover...  
hope that replaces darkness and confusion  
accusations in my mind are replaced by truth  
strength rises where nothing lived before  
forgiveness wells up to release myself and others  
a heart that is thankful instead of complaining

