# Faith Inspires Gratitude Bible Background: Hebrews 12:14-29 Printed Text: Hebrews 12:18-29 KJV/NLT Devotional Reading: 2 Thessalonians 1:1-7

# Aim for Change:

- 1. KNOW the meaning of God's forgiveness and promise of eternal life
- 2. *EXPLORE* our fears about death and assurance of God's grace
- 3. *REPENT* for sometimes rejecting God's grace

### **Devotional Reading:**

- Thursday 2 Thessalonians 1:1-7
  - What are you bound too? *Romans 6:14-23*
  - Has your praise gone up or your faith gone down? 1 Thessalonians 1:2-5

#### **Focal Verses:**

- Sunday *Hebrews 12:18-29* 
  - o (vv. 18-19) Is it easier to follow ritual than to worship? Colossians 2:6-15
  - (vv. 18-19) Whose voice do you hear before doing something that may be out of character? *Deuteronomy 4:11-14*
  - o (vv. 20-21) How has God gotten your attention? *Exodus 20:18-21*
  - (v. 22) Where do you want your new stomping grounds to be? *Revelation 5:11-14*
  - o (v. 23) What kind of child are you? Philippians 3:1-21
  - o (v. 24) Has your zeal for God lost its fire? *Hebrews 10:22-27*
  - (vv. 25-27) Is your relationship with God lacking due to ignorance/laziness? *Matthew* 12:31-37
  - (vv.25-27) Has your repentance reduced your hardships? 2 Peter 3:8-15
  - o (vv. 28-29) How would you rate your servitude? *Isaiah 33:14-16*

# **Daily Readings:**

- Monday Ezekiel 33:1-9
  - Are you ignoring the watchman's direction? Hosea 8:1-3; Joel 2:1-2
- Tuesday Revelation 3:1-13
  - Are your ears clogged or do you lack understanding? Deuteronomy 4:5-7
  - What have you done with your gift? *Ephesians 2:4-9*
- Wednesday Hebrews 8:1-7
  - After conversion, why are unhealthy spiritual habits still lingering? *Revelation 1:3; 3:15-17*
- Friday Matthew 5:43-48
  - Do your actions speak louder than your words? Hosea 4:1-19
  - Is perfection even possible? Yes, if we focus on His character; holiness; maturity; love
- Saturday Hebrews 12:12-17
  - Is your repentance real (genuine from the heart)? 2 Corinthians 7:9-11
  - Is your due diligence paying off? *Deuteronomy 29:14-20*