



# GRATITUDE

A RELIGIOUS CONTEXT



Gratitude is a universal value taught by all major religions.

It is seen as a way to recognize blessings, develop humility, and strengthen one's relationship with God and humanity.

Different religions express gratitude in slightly different ways, but the core message remains the same - to appreciate blessings and give thanks.



## Hinduism

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In Hinduism, gratitude is expressed through bhakti (devotion), prayer, and service.

Hindus are encouraged to thank God, nature, parents, teachers, and society for the blessings received. Scriptures like the Bhagavad Gita teach that every action should be offered to God with gratitude. Gratitude also includes respect for the five elements of nature and living beings.



## Islam

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In Islam, gratitude is called 'Shukr.'

Muslims are encouraged to thank Allah for every blessing, whether small or great. The Quran repeatedly reminds believers that gratitude increases blessings. Gratitude is expressed through prayer (Salah), charity (Zakat), patience, and using blessings responsibly.



## Christianity

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Christianity teaches that gratitude is central to faith.

The Bible instructs believers to 'give thanks in all circumstances.'

Christians express gratitude through prayer, worship, and helping others. Gratitude is seen as acknowledging God's love, grace, and guidance in life.



## Buddhism

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In Buddhism, gratitude is closely linked with mindfulness and compassion.

Buddhists are encouraged to appreciate the kindness of parents, teachers, and all living beings.

Gratitude helps reduce ego and develops inner peace. Acts of kindness and generosity are considered expressions of gratitude.



## Judaism

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Judaism places great emphasis on thanking God daily.

Many Jewish prayers begin with gratitude. The practice of saying blessings before and after meals and during daily activities reminds followers to appreciate God's continuous gifts and guidance.



## Sikhism

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Sikhism teaches gratitude through the concept of 'Waheguru da shukar.'

Sikhs are encouraged to remain thankful to God in both happiness and hardship. Gratitude is shown through prayer (Naam Simran), honest living, and serving humanity (Seva).

## Conclusion

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All religions teach that gratitude brings humility, inner peace, and stronger faith.

A grateful heart recognizes that life's blessings are gifts, and expressing thanks through prayer, service, and kindness leads to a more meaningful and peaceful life.



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'Gratitude transforms what we have into enough and brings peace within.'



# HAPPY GRATITUDE DAY (Monday)



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