

A script from



## “Thanksgiving at My House”

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**What** Two families display the contrast between those who choose to be thankful and those who choose not to count their blessings.

**Themes:** Thanksgiving, Thankfulness, Gratefulness, Blessings, Rich, Worth, Poor, Family, Needy, Peace, Provision

**Who**

|                            |           |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| Dad                        | Mom 2     |
| Mom 1                      | Sister B1 |
| Sister A1                  | Sister B2 |
| Sister B1                  |           |
| Brother (or tomboy sister) |           |
| Grandma                    |           |
| Uncle Jimmy                |           |

**When** Present; Thanksgiving

**Wear  
(Props)**

- Tables
- Chairs
- Pot w/spoon
- Plates
- Glasses
- Silverware
- Holiday Centerpiece

**Why** Philipians 4:6-7; Psalm 100:1-5; Psalm 69:30; Psalm 95:1-7a

**How** Keep the dialogue moving and conversational. This script is designed to be used either in a service or to stand alone. An idea might be to have a song afterwards.

**Time** Approximately 5-6 minutes

*Lights up on Family One's kitchen set.*

*Mom is stirring something in a stockpot; Grandma and SisterB1 are sitting at the well-decorated table. Dad and Brother enter together.*

- Dad:** *(Walks to Mom and puts his arm around her shoulder)*  
Mmmm...smells good, Honey. You did it again.
- Brother:** Good? It smells great!
- Mom1:** *(Annoyed-not jovial)* I wish it wasn't so fattening, though. It's so frustrating! Everything I eat goes immediately to my hips!
- Dad:** Hey, aren't we eating later than normal? *(Looking at watch, just a bit anxious)*
- Grandma:** Well, maybe a little later than...
- Brother:** *(Interrupts)* Yeah, 'cause the game's going to be on any minute. Maybe, we could just eat in front of the TV.
- Mom1:** Not in this house! We eat Thanksgiving dinner as a family. Sit down by your sister and no bickering this year.

*SisterB1 and Brother say lines together, SisterA1 enters looking like she'd rather be any place else.*

- SisterB1:** But Mom!
- Brother:** Don't make me sit beside her! *(Whiny and resisting as Mom pushes her to her seat.)*
- Dad1:** About time you came out of that dark pit you call a room. *(Looking at his daughter.)*
- SisterA1:** *(Waves hand)* Whatever! *(Ambles over to table and sits down.)*
- Dad1:** *(Trying to overlook his bored daughter, turns to Grandma)* Where's Jimmy?
- Grandma:** He'll be along shortly. *(Shaking her head and smiling)* He ran over to Ms. Fitzgerald's. Her heater is on the fritz again.
- Brother:** *(Whiny voice)* We don't have to wait for him do we?
- SisterB1:** Duh! Of course we do!

*Brother sits back in chair and huffily crosses his arms.*

**Brother:** Man, I'm gonna miss the game...

*Interrupted by Mom's "angry eyes", Brother hangs his head.*

**Grandma:** *(Trying to smooth things over)* I'm sure he won't be much longer.

**Dad:** *(A bit annoyed too)* Listen, we'll get to the game when we get to it. Besides, it's just on that little black and white set anyway. Half the time you can't even tell what's going on. I don't know why it's taking so long for the old big-screen, color set to be fixed.

**SisterB1:** Granny, are you going to go Christmas shopping with us tomorrow? I can't wait!

**Grandma:** Hmm, I think so, as long as I'm feeling up to it.

**SisterB1:** *(Very happy and makes a "yes" gesture)* I've already picked out these shoes and they are soooo way cool!

*Mom carries pot to table and sets it down amongst the many, many dishes.*

**SisterA1:** If she gets new shoes, then I get new shoes!

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**ENDING:**

*Lights go out and then lights gradually come up on other side of stage as prayer continues—first family's dad fades out of prayer and second family's mom overlaps and takes over. Family two is seated at the table with only one dish in the middle of the table.)*

**Mom2:** ...and thank You for each family member that sits around this table. You are so generous to us! Thank You for providing food for us—food that nourishes and strengthens us so we can do Your work.

Things have been tight this year, Lord, yet You have never failed us. Thank You for providing work close by so that we could stay together as a family. Thank you for the new bus route that allows me to get to my job. I'm so amazed at how You care about each detail! Thank You for the blankets You provided through Rescue Mission. Enough for each of us to have our own! It was more than we even really needed. Lord, if there are others who are in need, please show us who they are and help us to meet their needs out of the abundance You've given us.

*Mom 2 looks up, smiles and nods to Sister A2.*

**SisterA2:** And God...

**SisterB2:** *(Tugs at her sister's sleeve and whispers)* Don't forget to thank Him for my new shoes!

*All the family smiles.*

**SisterA2:** Yes, Jesus, thank You for the kids who gave their old shoes to us and thank You for the clothing they gave also. Thank you for others who care enough to give! Thank You for not only providing for our needs but even giving us extra's too!

*Mom 2 smiles at both her daughters proudly.*

**Mom2:** Father, thank You so, so, so much for letting us have a relationship with You through Your Son. Thank You for allowing us to talk to You anytime, anywhere. You are so good! We love You so much. In Jesus' name,

**Family2:** Amen.

*Lights out.*