




# THANKING YOU ON THANKSGIVING

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"Thank you" - Two simple words that mean so much to me. That's why I always enjoy saying them to my clients, associates, family and friends in my annual message of thanks.

Why is Thanksgiving important? Its underlying message of gratitude and appreciation can get lost quickly in our fast paced, technology driven, constantly changing world in which we live. How easy it is to lose sight of the many blessings that are bestowed upon us daily. This is why Thanksgiving rocks!

On Thanksgiving Day, ask your family and friends to share something for which they are thankful and grateful. It will enhance the meaning of this special day.

May you enjoy this holiday with many reasons for giving and sharing thanks.

Happy Thanksgiving,

*Marc Maretsky*



# Lots of Thoughts of Thanks



**Thanks** for people who are kind, generous and helpful.

**Thanks** for the good times and the lessons we learn from adversity.

**Thanks** for the ability to change and the challenge to improve.

**Thanks** for productive days, reaching goals and setting new ones.

**Thanks** for the beauty of nature -- magnificent mountains, the color of leaves, the smell of flowers, roaring waves, sunrises and sunsets.

**Thanks** for weekends with nothing to do and someone special to do it with.

**Thanks** for love at any age.

**Thanks** for family and friends.

**Thanks** for the energy of the younger generation, the wisdom of the older generation and the chance to tap the best of both when needed.

**Thanks** for everyone who has a sense of humor to help us laugh our way over the rough spots and who rekindle our spirit.

**Thanks** for thoughtfulness, sharing, and forgiveness.

**Thanks** for simple pleasures in a complex world and when simple things work in a complex world.

**Thanks** for birthdays, holidays and celebrations that bring smiles and fond memories.

**Thanks** for good health and our "seven senses" of sight, hearing, smell, taste, touch, common sense and nonsense.

**Thanks** for volunteers, teachers and doctors who care about and help other people.

**Thanks** for cultural activities including film, theater, music and art.

**Thanks** for our armed forces who protect our freedoms and all the men and women who have given their lives to defend our country.

**Thanks** for the courage and strength of police officers, firefighters and others who risk their lives every day to protect and save us.

**Thanks** for positive experiences in life and the lessons we learn from adversity.

**Thanks** for all religions and the ability to worship as we choose.

**Thanks** for music that fills our hearts and souls.

**Thanks** for random acts of kindness.

**Thanks** for the joy in being pleasantly surprised -- no matter what the occasion.

**Thanks** for anyone who is willing to help others who may be less fortunate.

**Thanks** for the basics -- food, clothing, electricity, water and shelter.

**Thanks** for that special friend who is always there when you need him or her.

**Thanks** for photographs and video images that capture our lives, times and create beautiful memories.

Now add your own **thoughts of thanks** to share with family and friends at Thanksgiving.

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**As always, "thanks" from me to you!    Marc**