## The Grateful Life

LIVING WITH JOY AND THANKFULNESS



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"Gratitude is the sweetest thing in a seeker's life – in all human life. If there is gratitude in your heart, then there will be tremendous sweetness in your eyes."

SRI CHINMOY



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## Introduction

What is the difference between someone who is full of joy, has a zest for life, and always seems to have a smile on their face, and someone who is grumpy, grouchy, and a total drain to be around?

Is it the amount of money they have?

Is it simply their personalities?

Is it the circumstances they're going through?

Nope.

While all those things certainly can play a role in the amount of joy a person experiences, they're not the primary factor.

## The primary factor is gratitude.

Gratitude has the power to change any situation. Actually, a better way of putting it is that gratitude has the power to change the way we *experience* any situation.