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What The Bible Says

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It is applicable for all humanity, certainly all Gentiles. It is applicable for all nations, certainly for ours that just took an irreversible step into progressive social liberalism via a 51% vote. It is applicable to all individuals, even professed Christians. "Because that when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful." (Rom 1:21a) The seven steps listed in this staircase lead humanity, nations, and individuals down and away from God. The top step is to know God. To actually know him in every sense of the word. The first step down and away is to 'glorify Him not.' The first and greatest commandment involves giving Him all glory. The second step down and away is in not being thankful. In Adam all humanity knew God; in his offspring humanity took the six steps down and away and ended up underwater. In Shem, Ham and Japheth all nations knew God; each step down and away to reach the lowest ebb of depravity and call sodomy acceptable! God tries the reigns of every man; He sent the true light which lighteth every man that cometh into the world," but individuals descend down this staircase away from God, and no matter their upbringing or education, they land on that bottom step. Two crucial questions need to be addressed. Which step you crossing? and Which direction you going? I am thankful that I was born and raised in a country that has a national day of Thanksgiving. Although all nature and all nations decline down those stairs, by God's grace I will not cross the step where I am not thankful, I'll face up, give God his glory and come to know him more each day. No matter which step, move up a step or two this Thanksgiving week. An Essay from week # 47, Sunday, November 18, 2012 Published at [www.GSBaptistChurch.com/ppulpit](http://www.GSBaptistChurch.com/ppulpit) In paperback at <http://www.lulu.com/spotlight/GSBaptistChurch> In free ebook at [www.GSBaptistChurch.com/ebooks](http://www.GSBaptistChurch.com/ebooks)

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