## Wednesday 19th May 2021

## <sup>4</sup> "Anyone who withholds kindness from a friend forsakes the fear of the Almighty" (Job 6:14)

Two small words, eight letters in total, five and three. But what a wealth of feeling these two little words can evoke both for the giver and the receiver. It doesn't take a lot to actually say "Thank you" nor does it cost anything to give thanks for something you have been given. We all know that scripture gives us the commandment to love one another and to give thanks, for the smallest of things along with the larger things we have in our lives. As we look around our world we see so much rudeness and bad manners; and so few people have respect for the people around them, and even less for our Heavenly Father. We can start each new day by being polite to all we meet, "the old adage civility costs nothing" is just like thank you. Then let us be the ones to turn around the rudeness and show our friends and neighbours the love and kindness given to us by God and give thanks for all we have. We must pray sincerely for the little ripples we give out will be become like wide rivers flowing to the oceans and spread throughout the world. Taking the message of the love and gratitude as far and as wide as the love of our Lord and God that surrounds each one of us. Let us give thanks and count our blessings daily.

Dear Father, show us how to keep our rude and insincere ways at bay and show nothing but kindness and gratitude to our friends and neighbours. Amen