

# THE PEW REVIEW

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**This month we celebrate Thanksgiving. It is a national holiday. Banks and schools are closed. I like Thanksgiving because it's not like the other national holidays—like Christmas, for example. During the Christmas season, many people get caught up in shopping and maxing out their credit cards. You are more likely to see pictures of Santa Claus and his reindeer than of Jesus in the manger. Even Easter gets overshadowed by themes of new spring growth, new clothes and the Easter bunny.**

**But Thanksgiving is pretty simple. We give thanks for our blessings. Families gather for dinner. We take time to express our gratitude.**

**Billy Graham once said in an interview with *Newsweek*, "I am convinced one of the joys if heaven will be discovering the**

**hidden ways that God, in his sovereignty, acted in our lives on earth to protect us and guide us so as to bring glory to his name, in spite of our frailty. As I look back over the years, however, I know that my deepest feeling is one of overwhelming gratitude. I cannot take credit for whatever God had chosen to accomplish through us and our ministry; only God deserves the glory, and we can never thank him enough for the great things he has done."**

**We can never thank God enough. But on Thanksgiving Day, we try. For what will you give thanks on Thanksgiving Day?**

*"Do not follow where the path may lead; go instead where there is no path and leave a trail."*

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