



## ***From the Desk of Jeff Banning ~***

How To Be Thankful For Your Life By Changing Just One Word.

My good friend and Executive Director of the Plainfield Community Development Department, Tim Belcher, mentioned this article to me several weeks ago. It is amazing what changing one word in a statement, changing how you might approach your life or just rethinking what you are really doing with your life can make such a significant difference in your attitude and the results of your thoughts and actions. Please read on – you won't be disappointed!!



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*By: James Clear | Life Lessons*

My college strength and conditioning coach, Mark Watts, taught me an important lesson about how to be thankful that applies to life outside of the gym as well as inside it . . .

As adults, we spend a lot of time talking about all of things that we have to do.

You have to wake up early for work. You have to make another sales call for your business. You have to work out today. You have to write an article. You have to make dinner for your family. You have to go to your son's game.

Now, imagine changing just one word in the sentence above.

**You don't "have" to. You "get" to.**

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I think it's important to remind yourself that the things you do each day are not burdens, they are opportunities. So often, the things we view as work are actually the reward.

[Embrace your constraints.](#) [Fall in love with boredom.](#) [Do the work.](#)

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~ Jeff Banning