Uncommon Thanks

"in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."

- 1 Thessalonians 5:18

We may not be thankful for everything that happens to us,
but we can find _____ to be thankful in every circumstance.

1. I'm thankful for _____—God's timing is better than mine - Exodus 13:17-18

A delay is a _____ between the moment when
God awakens a dream, speaks a promise, calls you to an assignment, or
hears your prayers and those things become a _____.

When God delays, He may be _____ us
and _____ something for us.

2. I'm thankful for _____ problems—they reveal God's power, glory, and goodness - John 11:6,40

- Pray – ask for His help. Keep praying. Don't give up.
- Trust Him to come through.

3. I'm thankful for _____—it brings me closer to God - Genesis 50:20; Lamentations 3:32-33; Psalm 34:18

"you intended to harm me; but God intended it for good." - Genesis 50:20

- God permits what He hates to _____ what He loves.

- God doesn't _____ us in pain and suffering.

  "The LORD is near to those who have a broken heart, And saves such as have a contrite spirit." - Psalm 34:18

- Don't develop bitterness & become _____.
- Some of the most painful times in our lives is when God is closest to us—if we let Him.