

## **Tom T. Hall**

# **"Thanksgiving Is"**

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You gotta be thankful for the Bible, Jesus and your  
mom and dad  
For your bike and for your clothes and for your butter  
and for your bread  
For your shoes and socks and underthings and all the  
clothes you wear  
And be thankful for your nose and your hair that's what  
thanksgiving is

You gotta be thankful for your eyes and ears and  
fingers and your hands  
For your legs and for your arms and for the folks who  
understand  
For your music and your books and for your teachers  
and your school  
And be thankful that you're warm  
And that you're cool that's what thanksgiving is

You gotta be thankful for your food and for the turkey  
and the ham  
Gotta be thankful for the milk and cookies jelly and the  
jam  
For the road and for the car and for the bus and for the  
drive  
And you really gotta be thankful you're alive that's what  
thanksgiving is

You gotta be thankful for the sun and moon and wind  
and rain and air  
For the bed and for the bath and for the table and the  
chairs  
For the friends and for the toys and TV and the radio  
And be thankful that your record player goes that's  
what thanksgiving is

You gotta be thankful for your dog and for your cat and  
for your horse  
You gotta be thankful for the fish and for the pretty  
birds of course  
You gotta be thankful for the flowers and the forest  
and the lawn  
Well you understand we could go on and on

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