

Count your Blessings

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> I work in a salaried job. <input type="checkbox"/> My family and I have never lived below the poverty line. <input type="checkbox"/> I went to summer camp. <input type="checkbox"/> I went to private school. <input type="checkbox"/> I graduated high school. <input type="checkbox"/> I went to an elite college. <input type="checkbox"/> I graduated college. <input type="checkbox"/> My parents paid (at least some of) my tuition. <input type="checkbox"/> I had a car in high school. <input type="checkbox"/> I've never had a roommate. <input type="checkbox"/> I've always had cable. <input type="checkbox"/> I have traveled internationally. <input type="checkbox"/> I travel internationally at least once a year. <input type="checkbox"/> I studied abroad. <input type="checkbox"/> I've never skipped a meal to save money. <input type="checkbox"/> I don't know what "Sallie Mae" is. <input type="checkbox"/> I spent Spring Breaks abroad. <input type="checkbox"/> I have frequent flier miles. <input type="checkbox"/> My parents both graduated college. <input type="checkbox"/> My parents are both alive. <input type="checkbox"/> My parents are still married. <input type="checkbox"/> I do not have any physical disabilities. <input type="checkbox"/> I do not have any social disabilities. <input type="checkbox"/> I do not have any learning disabilities. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never had an eating disorder. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never been depressed. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never considered suicide. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never attempted suicide. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never taken medication for my mental health. <input type="checkbox"/> I can afford medication if/when I need it. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never been shamed for my body type. <input type="checkbox"/> I can afford a therapist. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never had an addiction. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> I have never been shamed for my religious beliefs. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never been violently threatened for my religious beliefs. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never been violently attacked for my religious beliefs. <input type="checkbox"/> There is a place of worship for my religion in my town. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never lied about my ethnicity as self-defense. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never lied about my religion as self-defense. <input type="checkbox"/> All my jobs have been accommodating of my religious practices. <input type="checkbox"/> I am not nervous in airport security lines. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never heard this statement: "You have been randomly selected for secondary passport control." <input type="checkbox"/> I have never been called a terrorist. <input type="checkbox"/> Nobody has ever tried to "save" me for my religious beliefs. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never had a missile/bomb land in my city. <input type="checkbox"/> No one I know has been killed in a drone strike. <input type="checkbox"/> My home has never been razed by an army. <input type="checkbox"/> No one in my family has been killed in war. <input type="checkbox"/> I don't have any student loans. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never been homeless. <input type="checkbox"/> My parents pay some of my bills. <input type="checkbox"/> My parents pay all of my bills. <input type="checkbox"/> I don't rely on public transportation. <input type="checkbox"/> I buy new clothes at least once a month. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never done my taxes myself. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never felt poor. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never had to worry about making rent. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never been a victim of "redlining." 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> I have never been discriminated against because of my skin color. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never been the only person of my race in a room. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never been mocked for my accent. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never been a victim of violence because of my race. <input type="checkbox"/> My religion has never taught that my race is lesser in any way. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never been called a racial slur. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never lied about my sexuality. <input type="checkbox"/> I never had to "come out." <input type="checkbox"/> I never doubted my parents' acceptance of my sexuality. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never tried to hide my sexuality. <input type="checkbox"/> I am comfortable holding hands with my spouse/partner in public. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never pretended to be "just friends" with my significant other. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never been ostracized by my religion for my sexual orientation. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never been told I would "burn in hell" for my sexual orientation. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never been told that my sexuality is "just a phase." <input type="checkbox"/> I have never been violently threatened because of my sexuality. <input type="checkbox"/> I feel comfortable in the gender I was born as. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never been denied an opportunity because of my gender. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never felt unsafe because of my gender. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never been a victim of sex trafficking. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never been sexually harassed or assaulted. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never been raped.
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"There but for the grace of God go I." —John Bradford (quoted by Jeffrey R. Holland)

"Life being what it is, if we don't make a difference by trying, we'll make a difference by not trying" — William Sloane Coffin