

dmittedly, this has been pretty hard lately. Most days if you get through without the news pissing you off or shaking your faith, that's what counts as a good day. It's tough. People are losing jobs, struggling with bills. Mind you, this is all while Washington and New York toss billions of dollars around like beach balls. But take a minute, take a breath, and give thanks. You're alive. If nothing else, you're alive. Take joy in that. And fortunately, there's good odds that you live in the most powerful nation on the planet. This is a nation that once again decided that regular folks certainly are not going to stand on the sidelines. And with us is a leader who is doing everything he knows how to bring not only change, but progress. We have a chance to emerge smarter, cleaner, healthier

and more peaceful. For this, we can also give thanks.