

Title | From Grumbling to Gratitude Series | Guest Speaker Text | Topical By | John Gemmill Date | September 18, 2021

Philippians 2:14 ESV: Do all things without grumbling or disputing,

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 ESV: 16 Rejoice always, 17 pray without ceasing, 18 give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

Philippians 4:4 ESV:

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice.

Philippians 4:6-7 ESV:

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Big Idea:

Sermon Notes

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For Reflection & Application:

Monday: Read Philippians 2:14. Reflect on whether you have a grumbling issue. If so, what should you consider doing about it?

Tuesday: Read 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18. Is your life characterized by rejoicing, prayer, and thanksgiving? Do you think you should develop more rejoicing, prayer, and gratitude in your life? What are ways you could do that?

Wednesday: Read again 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18. Consider the words "always," "without ceasing," and "in all circumstances." What do these words mean in this passage?

Thursday: Read Philippians 4:6-7. Do you have more anxiety or worry in your life than you would like to? Plan to take appropriate action based on these verses.

Friday: Re-read Philippians 2:14, 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, and Philippians 4:6-7. If you agree, please pray that we will develop hearts that overflow with joy, prayer, and gratefulness rather than grumbling.

Daily Prayer: Lord, thank you for loving us and for the guidance of scripture. Please help us reduce our grumbling and increase our rejoicing, praying, and gratitude. We love you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.