## **SERMON NOTES**

November 18 & 19, 2023

## **In All Circumstances**

1 Thessalonians 5:18

1. Gratitude is	; Thanksgiving is	·
a. Gratitude minus thanksgiv	ving =	1 Thessalonians 3:9
2. Thanksgiving in easy circums  a. All good things come fron	stances requires n	1 Thessalonians 1:3
3. Thanksgiving in difficult circ	umstances requires	1 Thessalonians 1:6
a. faith that <u>it's not always go</u>	oing to be this way	Hebrews 11:1
b. faith that <u>I'm learning som</u>	nething of infinite value for tomorrow	James 1:3
c. faith that God never stops working for the good in my life		Romans 8:28
d. joy is not based on <u>curren</u>	t circumstances	1 Thessalonians 3:9-10
e. keep looking for the bless	ing	Ephesians 3:14-16
4. How do we properly thank G	od for the blessings in all circumstances?	
		1 Thessalonians 3:12

## Life Steps

**In All Circumstances** | November 18 & 19, 2023

Monday 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

**Reflect:** Paul says to give thanks in all circumstances. When was the last circumstance you experienced where thanksgiving was difficult for you?

**Pray:** God, regardless of the circumstance, thank you for your blessing today.

Tuesday Hebrews 11:1

**Reflect:** Reflecting on your experience you wrote about on Monday's lifestep, how did your faith help you in that season? How did the season develop your faith?

**Pray:** God, regardless of the circumstance, thank you for your blessing today.

Wednesday James 1:3

**Reflect:** Reflecting on your experience you wrote about on Monday's lifestep, what insight did this season provide you, or what did God show you, that might help you moving forward?

**Pray:** God, regardless of the circumstance, thank you for your blessing today.

Thursday Romans 8:28

**Reflect:** Reflecting on your experience you wrote about on Monday's lifestep, have you been able to experience, or acknowledge something of the goodness of God in the middle of that season? If so, what was it?

**Pray:** God, regardless of the circumstance, thank you for your blessing today.

Friday 1 Thessalonians 3:9-10

**Reflect:** Reflecting on your experience you wrote about on Monday's lifestep, if you could go back and experience it again, how might choosing joy have impacted your experience? **Pray:** God, regardless of the circumstance, thank you for your blessing today.

Saturday 1 Thessalonians 1:2-3

**Reflect:** As an act of thanksgiving, write down five things you've experienced this week that you can thank God for. Remember to live today as a response to thoes blessing.

**Pray:** God, regardless of the circumstance, thank you for your blessing today.

Sunday Psalm 148

**Reflect:** As you prepare for worship, remember that all good things come from God. Prepare your heart to respond today with thanksgiving, and look for opportunities to pay it forward. **Pray:** God, regardless of the circumstance, thank you for your blessing today.

