

“Our Relationship with God”
1 Thessalonians 5:16-24
Part 5

Responsibilities:

A) Live in constant joy

Phil. 3:1; 4:4; Romans 12:15; 2 Cor. 6:10; 13:11
John 14:28; 15:11; 16:22; 17:13
Matt. 5:10-12; James 1:2-3; 1 Peter 1:6-8

B) Live in constant prayer

Acts 2:42; Romans 12:12; Col. 4:2-4; Matt. 6:9-15
Luke 18:11; Matt. 14:23; Mark 6:46; Luke 20:41-44
Acts 12:5; Eph. 6:18; 1 Thess. 3:10; Col. 4:12

C) Live in constant thankfulness

Romans 1:21; 1 Cor. 14:16-17; 2 Cor. 4:15; 9:10-12, 14
Eph. 5:3-4; 18-20; Phil. 4:6; Col. 2:6; 3:15, 17; 4:2
Psalm 30:12; 34:1 44:8; 71:5-6

D) Do not quench the Holy Spirit

Mark 9:48; Eph. 4:30; Acts 5:3; 7:51
Titus 3:5; 2 Cor. 5:17; Romans 6:6-7; 8:5, 9
Gal. 5:16-17; Romans 8:16; Romans 5:5; 1 Cor. 12:4-10, 13
Eph. 1:13-14; 1 Peter 1:2; 2 Cor. 3:18-4:1; John 14:16
John 15:26; 16:7; Gal. 3:3

E) Honor God’s Word

- **Despise—to treat with contempt**
Luke 23:11; Matt. 21:42

- **Prophetic utterances—what God has said**
Deut 18:18; Isaiah 1:1-3; Jeremiah 1:7; Ezekiel 1:7
Acts 15:32; 17:30-31; 1 Cor. 14:3; Romans 12:6
1 Peter 4:11; 2 Peter 1:20-21; Rev. 19:10

• Why should we not despise scripture?

1) The character of scripture

a) It's authoritative

Isaiah 1:2; Matt. 4:4, 7, 10

b) It's infallible and inerrant

Psalm 19:7-9; Proverbs 30:5

c) It's sufficient and effective

Psalm 19:7-9; 2 Tim. 3:15-17

d) It's determinative

1 Peter 1:23; Heb. 4:12; John 5:26

2) The generous benefits of scripture

a) It is the source of truth

John 17:17

b) It is the source of happiness and blessedness

Proverbs 8:34; Luke 6:47-48; 11:28; John 15:11

c) It is the source of victory over sin

Psalm 119:9; Matt. 4:1-11; 1 Cor. 10:13

d) It is the source of growth, guidance and hope

1 Peter 2:2; 2 Tim. 3:16-17; Psalm 119:105, 116; Rom. 15:4

Honor God's Word—How?

Col. 3:16