

SOAP Daily Devotion – complements the sermon for 11.22.2020

Monday – 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

How do you feel when someone doesn't thank you for your generosity toward them?

How can you express gratitude under challenging circumstances without being phony?

What are some benefits that you can gain from being someone who expresses gratitude in all circumstances?

Tuesday – 2 Corinthians 9:6-11

How would you describe the connection between your generosity and your ability to “abound in every good work”?

How do these verses encourage an abundance mentality?

How has other people's generosity to you encouraged you to be thankful to God?

Wednesday – Philippians 4:4-7

How does thanksgiving impact the way you pray about difficulties?

Which of these do you think God wants to grow in you, especially at this time? Ability to rejoice; Gentleness; Decreased Anxiety; Gratitude; Peace of God.

What action can you take right now to move in this direction? Take 2 minutes to do it now.

Thursday – 1 Chronicles 29:10-13

What connection do you see between praising God and expressing gratitude to God?

How can this connection influence your Sunday morning service experience? How might it spill into the rest of your week?

Friday – John 11:17-46

How did Mary and Martha differ in the ways they hoped in Jesus concerning their brother Lazarus?

How does Jesus' weeping at the death of Lazarus align with having hope? Did Jesus lose hope?

Is hope compatible with a full range of emotions? Happiness, Sadness, Anger, Satisfaction, Awe, Gratitude, Disgust, Anticipation, Fear, Loneliness, Jealousy, Surprise, Trust?

If not, why not, and which ones are not compatible? If so, how?