Final Instructions - 1 Thessalonians 5:12-28

Topics: Advice, God's Will, Leadership, Prophecy, Quarrels, Respect, Revenge, Thankfulness

Open It

- * 1. What instructions would you give to someone taking care of your home while you were away on a long vacation?
 - 2. If you could ask God any three questions about how to live your life, what would you ask?

Explore It

- 3. How does God want us to regard church elders? (5:12-13)
- * 4. How does God want us to treat each other? (5:13-15)
- * 5. What attitudes represent God's will for us? (5:16-18)
 - 6. How should we pray? (5:17)
 - 7. When should we give thanks? (5:18)
 - 8. What is God's will for us? (5:16-18)
 - 9. How should we show respect for the Holy Spirit's presence in us? (5:19-22)
 - 10. What does God want to happen inside us? (5:23)
 - 11. For what reason can we depend on God? (5:24)
- * 12. What kind of affection did Paul have for the Thessalonian Christians? (5:26)
 - 13. Who was to hear the contents of this letter? (5:27)

Get It

- 14. How can you show respect for the elders of your church?
- * 15. What can we do to live in peace with everyone in the church?
 - 16. How can the peace among people in the church be damaged?
 - 17. What situations tend to test your patience?
 - 18. What does it mean to pray continually?
 - 19. What happens when you pay back evil to a person who has done wrong to you?
 - 20. Why should we give thanks in all circumstances?
- 21. What value is there in giving thanks in all circumstances?
- * 22. How can you remain joyful when things go badly?
 - 23. How does prayer relate to a person's joy?
 - 24. How could a person put out the Spirit's fire?
 - 25. How can we tell if God is actually at work in us?
 - 26. How can we help or hinder God's work within us?

Apply It

- * 27. Which of Paul's short, direct commands in this passage do you most need to remember this week?
 - 28. With whom do you need to make peace? How can you start?