

“WHAT IS GOD'S WILL FOR YOUR LIFE?”

(1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

I. PERSONAL AND HISTORICAL EXPLANATIONS (1:2-3:13)

II. PRACTICAL AND INSTRUCTIVE EXHORTATIONS. (4:1-5:24)

A. Exhortations about GENERAL CONDUCT. (4:1-2)

B. Exhortations about SEXUAL PURITY. (4:3-8)

C. Exhortations about BROTHERLY LOVE and an ORDERLY LIFE. (4:9-12)

D. Exhortations In View of the BLESSED HOPE. (4:13-18)

E. Exhortations In View of the DAY OF THE LORD. (5:1-11)

F. Exhortations for CHURCH HARMONY and GROWTH. (5:12-15)

G. Exhortations for HOLY LIVING. (5:16-24)

1. The SPECIFIC EXHORTATIONS. (5:16-22)

a. “Rejoice _____.” (5:16)

* What does this mean?

* How often is this to be done?

* Is this really that important to heed?

* What can the believer rejoice in?

b. “Pray _____ ceasing.” (5:17)

* What does this mean?

* How often is this to be done?

* Is this really that important to obey?

c. “*In _____ give thanks...*” (5:18)

* What does this mean?

* How often is this to be done?

* Why should this be done?

* What does Paul emphasize here?

* How does this apply to you?