



Church Directory Pictures

November 10 & 17 also on the 16th
at the Harvest Dinner



Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes are now being assembled and collected. Bring your boxes to the church or go online to SonriseChurch.com and have a box built for you. November 17th is the final Sunday to build a box ONLINE or bring one into the church.



1 Thessalonians 5.18 NASB

- ◆ in _____ give thanks; for this is God’s _____ for you in Christ Jesus.



- ◆ The opposite of gratitude is _____. Merriam-Webster defines ingratitude as "the _____ or refusal to acknowledge receipt of something good from another; the _____ of or poor return of kindness."
- ◆ Spiritual ingratitude is the failure or refusal to acknowledge God, and all He does, while _____ about what is happening in your life. It may also include _____ that God is not doing enough for you.



Grumbling Greats 1

- ◆ Then Moses led Israel from the Red Sea, and they went out into the wilderness of Shur; and they went three days in the wilderness and found no water. When they came to Marah or _____, they could not drink the waters of Marah, for they were bitter; therefore it was named Marah. So the people _____ at Moses, saying, “What shall we drink?” Then he cried out to the LORD, and the LORD showed him a tree; and he threw it into the waters, and the waters became sweet.

Exodus 15.22-25a NASB

- ◆ There, He made for them a statute and regulation, and there, He tested them. And He said, “If you will _____ earnest heed to the voice of the LORD your God, and _____ what is right in His sight, and _____ ear to His commandments, and _____ all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have put on the Egyptians; for I, the LORD, am your healer.”

Exodus 15.25b-26 NASB

Monday: Psalm 1-Thankful for Wisdom in Making Decisions
–“God has promised to supply all our needs. What we don’t have now, we don’t need now.” -Elizabeth Elliot

Tuesday: Psalm 3 - Thankful When I Feel Discouraged
– Thankful When Life Is Going Well–“It is not how much we have, but how much we enjoy, that makes happiness.” - Charles Spurgeon

Wednesday: Psalm 8 - Thankful When Life Is Going Well
–If you experience gratitude as a burden, you don’t know gratitude, because true gratitude is not an exertion of the will; it’s an overflow of a sense of being treated better than you deserve.” - John Piper

Thursday: Psalm 19 - Thankful for God’s Glory and Word
–“We need to discover all over again that worship is natural to the Christian, as it was to the godly Israelites who wrote the psalms, and that the habit of celebrating the greatness and graciousness of God yields an endless flow of thankfulness, joy, and zeal.” -J.I. Packer

Friday: Psalm 20 - Thankful in Prayer
–“There are three requisites to the proper enjoyment of earthly blessings: a thankful reflection, on the goodness of the giver; a deep sense of our own unworthiness; and a recollection of the uncertainty of our long possessing them. The first will make us grateful; the second, humble; and the third, moderate.” -Hannah More

BONUS: Psalm 40 - Thankful When I Walk Through Grief
-here is where you can read the 1902 edition of AS A MAN THINKETH.

<https://asamanthinketh.net/wp-content/uploads/2013/06/as-a-man-thinketh-1902-edition.pdf>

- ◆ Unveiled faces is about _____ and _____ .
- ◆ The focus of our lives must be the _____ .
- ◆ The _____ * from **GRUMBLING** to **GRATITUDE** is accepting the Glory of Christ as a gift to us.

The Garden

- ◆ James Allen – *As A Man Thinketh* 1902
- ◆ Effects of thoughts on Circumstances
- ◆ **A man's _____ may be likened to a _____** , which may be intelligently cultivated or allowed to run wild; but whether cultivated or neglected, it must, and will bring forth. If no useful seeds are put into it, then an abundance of useless weeds-seeds will fall therein, and will continue to produce their kind.



DIGGING DEEPER

This week I have provided quotes from famous Christians to give you to add to your prayers. To meditate over and to include in your bible study. There is also a Psalm you can use and mark when you need it later. All of these are focused on gratitude

- ◆ God wants to _____ **their focus** from selfish grumbling to well-trained followers so he can bless them.
- ◆ This is about them _____ **the direction** of their lives through being obedient to the instructions He gives them.
- ◆ God keeps His word when we follow directions. Again, this is about God _____ those who listen.
- ◆ Then they came to Elim where there were twelve **springs of water** and **seventy date palms**, and they camped there beside the waters.
Exodus 15.27 NASB
- ◆ God already had prepared a place for them. They just had to get _____ the dry place to be blessed by Him.
- ◆ God is _____ answers to prayers you have not even prayed. God is working on solutions to problems you don't even know you will face.
- ◆ God has _____ to _____ you, and He will.



- ◆ Exodus 16: The **Grumbling continues**
- ◆ Vs. 2 The whole congregation of the sons of Israel _____ against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. *
- ◆ Vs. 8 God _____ to provide Manna (bread) in the morning and Quail (meat) in the evening to take care of the everyday. This will continue for 40 years.
- ◆ Vs. 8 Moses warns them that their grumbling is _____ the LORD.

Grumbling Greats 3

- ◆ The _____ you grumble the _____ you grumble.
- ◆ Moses sends 12 spies into the promise land to check on the best way to defeat the people. Ten of them bring back a _____ that was just more grumbling. Numbers 14.29 & 36.
- ◆ God _____ the people, and they spend another 40 years in the wilderness wandering around.**
- ◆ You can _____ God's blessings by grumbling.^
see Joshua 2



The Choice

- ◆ To grumble and complain is to reject the _____ of God.
- ◆ Grumbling takes the form of the "small" _____.^
- ◆ To live without gratitude and choose to grumble is to live life _____.
- ◆ For I am the LORD who brought you up out of the land of Egypt to be your God. **You shall** therefore be _____, for **I am** _____". Leviticus 11.45 ESV
- ◆ Choosing God is choosing to accept _____ **HOLINESS**.

Beholding & Becoming

- ◆ But we all, with unveiled face, _____ as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being _____ into the same image from glory to glory, just as from the Lord, the Spirit.
2 Corinthians 3.18 NASB