GRUMBLING AWAY THANKS

Gratitude November 26, 2023

KEY SCRIPTURES

- 1 Thessalonians 5:16-19
- Exodus 15:23-27
- Exodus 16:1-12; 31-34
- Philippians 2:14-18
- <u>1 Corinthians 11:23-25</u>

KEY POINTS

- After the Israelites were delivered from Egypt and after God miraculously parted the Red Sea, His people were singing praises. Three days later, they began to grumble.
- God moves to bring grace upon grace to His grumbling people by sweetening the water, raining bread from heaven, and even providing quail for food.
- Notice: the original grumbling turns the entire congregation against Moses.
- The people thought they were complaining to Moses but learned that their grumbling was against God.
- Paul points out the importance of giving thanks always as well as to avoid grumbling.
- We are to be lights; grumbling quenches the light.
- Grumbling is forgetting how good God is.
- Grumbling is a gratitude killer.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Discuss what happens when we grumble.
- 2. How do you feel when someone around you begins to grumble?
- 3. How do the verses from Philippians motivate you away from grumbling?
- 4. Discuss the verses in Corinthians listed above. What are your takeaways?