

Life Together in the Body of Christ
1 Thessalonians 5:12-28

- I. Introduction (Matthew 24:44–47; 1 Thessalonians 5:23)
- II. Consider your spiritual leaders (1 Thessalonians 5:12-13)
 - A. They work hard among you
 - B. They care for you (2 Corinthians 11:2)
 - C. They admonish you (Hebrews 13:17; James 3:1)
 - D. Making your leaders' job easier (1 Thessalonians 5:13b)
- III. Caring for each other (1 Thessalonians 5:14)
 - A. "Admonish the idle" (cf. Galatians 6:1)
 - B. "Encourage the fainthearted" (Isaiah 42:3)
 - C. "Be patient with them all" (cf. Colossians 3:12-13).
 - D. "Always seek to do good" (1 Thessalonians 5:15)
- IV. Corporate worship (1 Thessalonians 5:16–22)
 - A. "Be joyful always" (John 16:33)
 - B. "Pray continually"
 - C. "Give thanks in all circumstances"
 - D. "Do not quench the Spirit" (1 Thessalonians 5:19)
 - E. "Do not despise prophecies" (1 Thessalonians 5:20-21)
 - F. Abstain from evil (1 Thessalonians 5:22)
- V. Closing comments (1 Thessalonians 5:23–28; Hebrews 10:24–25)