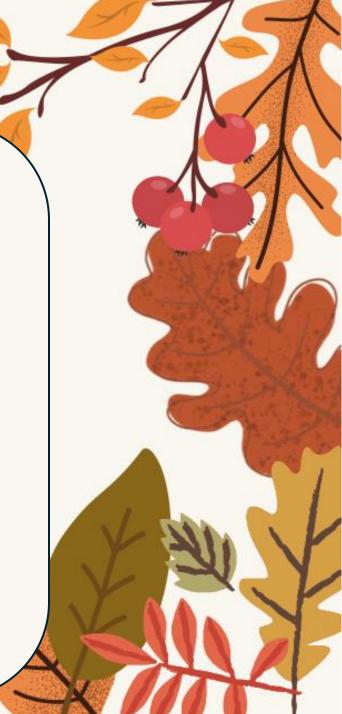


1THESSALONIANS 5:16-18

16 Rejoice always, 17 Pray without ceasing, 18 Give Thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.



REJOICE ALWAYS

Philippians 4:4 - "Be full of joy in the Lord always. I will say again, be full of joy"

Psalms 46:1 - "God is our protection and our strength. He always helps in times of trouble."

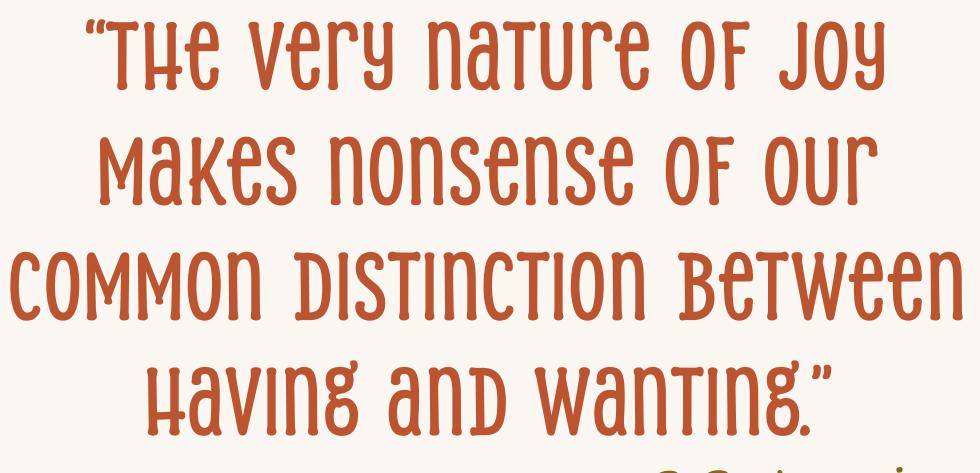
1 Peter 1:8-9 - "You have not seen Christ, but still you love Him. You cannot see Him now, but you believe in Him. So, you are filled with a joy that cannot be explained, a joy full of glory. And you are receiving the goal of your faith—the salvation of your souls."

REJOICE ALWAYS - SALVATION = JOY

JOY COMES FROM KNOWING CHRIST IS OUR STRENGTH, COMFORTER, & DELIVERER!

JOY IS NOT CIRCUMSTANTIAL JOY IS A LIFESTYLE!

OUR DISAPPOINTMENTS SHOULD BE APPOINTMENTS WITH GOD.



C.S. Lewis

PRAY WITHOUT CEASING

PRAYER IS FOR THIS LIFE!

IN HEAVEN WE WILL BE IN

HIS PRESENCE...

UNTIL THEN – PRAY!

"IF We are to pray right, perhaps it is quite necessary that we pray contrary to our own Heart. Not what we want to pray is important. BUT WHAT GOD WANTS US TO Pray. THE rICHNESS OF THE WORD OF GOD OUGHT TO DETERMINE OUR Prayer, not the poverty of our Heart."

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

GIVE THANKS ALWAYS

Ephesians 5:19-"Speak to each other with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs, singing and making music in your hearts to the Lord."

Colossians 3:16 – "Let the teaching of Christ live in you richly. Use all wisdom to teach and instruct each other by singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with thankfulness in your hearts to God."

We are most representative of god in our life - when we are most satisfied in who he is!

"OUR BREATEST FEAR SHOULD NOT Be of failure ... But of SUCCEEDING at THINGS IN LIFE THAT DON'T really Matter."

Francis Chan

THIS WEEK:

A LOT OF FOOD, FAMILY, FOOTBALL & FOCUSES... IT'S ABOUT MORE THAN THANKSGIVING!

REJOICE, PRAY, & GIVE THANKS TO GOD!