

Words of Instruction

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Always be joyful. Never stop praying.
Whatever happens, give thanks, because
that is God's will in Christ Jesus for you.

Don't put out the Spirit's fire; do not
despise the prophecies of God. Instead,
test everything. Hold on to what is good.

Keep away from every form of evil.

May the God of peace make you holy
in every way. May He keep your whole
being—spirit, soul, and body—blameless
when our Lord Jesus Christ comes.
The One Who calls you is faithful,
and He will do this.

—1 Thessalonians 5:16-24



“The Lord will come from heaven with a command, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet call of God. First, the dead who believed in Christ will come back to life.

Then, together with them, we who are still alive will be taken in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. In this way we will always be with the Lord. So comfort each other with these words!”

–1 Thessalonians 4:16-18

Always be joyful

- Be happy in your faith in God
- Let your love for God bring you joy
- Be glad, be well, thrive — because of Jesus

Never stop praying

- Constant conversation with Jesus
- Let talking with God be your habit
- No intermission

Whatever happens, give thanks

- Let gratitude be the pattern of your life
- The Lord inhabits the praises of His people
- Thank Him for His presence and power

Don't put out the Holy Spirit's fire

- Walk in the Spirit
- Let the fruit of the Spirit flow freely
- Don't smother the Spirit's work

Don't despise the prophecies of God

- Don't disparage those who speak for the Lord
- Instead, with the Spirit's help, test what you hear
- Does it line up with Scripture?

➤ **When you find good**

➤ **Cling to it!**

➤ **When you find evil**

➤ **Stay away from every form it takes**



May the God of peace
make you holy in every way

- Allow God to shape and use us for His purpose
- Place our lives into His hands
- He created us, and can restore us to do His will!
- He will make us ready for Christ's return!



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