

THE POWER OF GIVING

THE SECRET TO LOVING LIFE

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

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What is the secret to loving life?

1. Never _____ but always _____.

Rejoice always. 1 Thessalonians 5:16

A. God _____ grumbling.

*Do **all things** without grumbling or disputing. Philipians 2:14*

How long shall I bear with this evil congregation who are grumbling against Me? I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel, which they are making against Me.

Numbers 14:27

B. You can make the _____ to rejoice.

*Though the fig tree should not blossom, and there be no fruit on the vines, though the yield of the olive should fail, and the fields produce no food, though the flock should be cut off from the fold, and there be no cattle in the stalls, **yet I will exult in the Lord, I will rejoice in the God of my salvation.** Habbakuk 3:17-18*

2. Never _____ but always _____.

Pray without ceasing. 1 Thessalonians 5:17

A. God is _____.

Is the LORD'S power limited? Numbers 11:23

B. God _____ to prayer.

Call to Me, and I will answer you, and I will tell you great and mighty things, which you do not know. Jeremiah 33:3

3. Never _____ but always _____.

In everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. 1 Thessalonians 5:18

A. God takes special _____ of ingratitude.

For even though they knew God, they did not honor Him as God, or give thanks; but they became futile in their speculations, and their foolish heart was darkened. Romans 1:21

B. God gets special _____ when we thank Him.

*He who offers a sacrifice of thanksgiving honors Me; And to him who orders his way aright I shall show the salvation of God.
Psalm 50:23*

Q. Do you want to love life?

A. Stop doing it _____ and start doing it _____.