

SCC Small Group Discussion
Checklist – 1 Thessalonians 5:16-28
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Getting Started:

How do you keep a positive attitude?

Searching the Scriptures:

- A. Do you think about rejoicing, praying and giving thanks as something an individual does more on his or her own, or as something that he or she does in relationship with others?
- B. How does practicing these things alone impact the way we practice them with others, and vice versa? How do they help us encourage and build each other up?
- C. How do Christians struggle with the of things described in verses 19-22 today?

- D. How might we go about “testing” as Paul commands? What is the goal of testing?
- E. In this closing section of verses 23-28, what do you think Paul is trying to accomplish?
- F. Which of the behaviors we’ve studied today represents a strength in your interaction with others? Which is an area of weakness? How can you improve the weak area(s)?

Application of Scripture:

- A. What examples of genuine love have you observed in our group or church? How does diligent service through genuine love affect a community of believers?
- B. Look through this passage again and note what is most pleasing and displeasing to God.