



## Church Members Get Joyful Job Descriptions

### **CROSS TRAINING SERMON DISCUSSION**

**10:45-11:30am in the Sanctuary**

**1 Thessalonians 5:12-28**

1. Why would it be important for Paul to tell these believers to respect their church leaders and esteem them highly?
2. Is there a connection between admonishment by leaders and admonishment by the rest of the church? If so, what is it?
3. How do you know if you should step in to help another believer handle a tough situation?
4. Have you ever become impatient with someone you were trying to help?  
How did you handle that experience?
5. Clearly joyfulness, prayerfulness, and thankfulness are not dependent on one's circumstances. So how do you personally cultivate these spiritual activities in your own life?

6. When have you experienced deep joy or thanksgiving in spite of your circumstances?
7. Rejoicing and thankfulness is so countercultural! What does it look like to rejoice?
8. Why do we sometimes get nervous about the activities of the Holy Spirit? What does it look like today to “quench the Spirit?”
9. How can we be more open to His leading?
10. What would it look like for our church to see more activity according to the Holy Spirit?
11. How do you “test everything?”
12. What spiritual activities might actually be “forms of evil?” What might Paul have had in mind when he wrote this?