

Series: Christ IN You
“New Language for New Living”
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

• **Foundations for New Living**

- ◇ We are [reconciled](#) by His [death](#) and [saved](#) by His [life](#). Christ is [IN](#) us. He has [wrapped](#) Himself in our [humanity](#).
- ◇ The life of Christ IN us can only be experienced through us by the act of [FAITH](#). Faith allows the object of our faith to [work on our behalf](#).
- ◇ The object of our faith is the [TOTALLY RELIABLE GOD](#). The act of faith is [obedience](#). No [obedience](#) = no [faith](#).

• **Rejoice Always** *1 Thessalonians 5:16, Philippians 4:4*

- ◇ This is a command to [ACT](#) not [FEEL](#).
- ◇ My feelings may [vary](#) as my actions remain [steadfast](#).
- ◇ *James 1:2-4* - I [choose](#) to rejoice because of what I [know](#) about [God](#) and [His work](#). This is to [live by faith](#).

• **Pray Without Ceasing** *1 Thessalonians 5:17, Philippians 4:6*

- ◇ Jesus only [said and did](#) what the [Father](#) told Him. He always [knew](#) because He [prayed](#) without [ceasing](#).
- ◇ Prayer is the expression of [dependence](#). I am always [dependent](#), so I should always [pray](#).
- ◇ [All we do](#) can be done to the [glory of God](#), if it has its [origin in God](#). This is to [live by faith](#).
- ◇ This is an indirect promise to [LISTEN](#) without [ceasing](#).

• **In Everything Give Thanks** *1 Thessalonians 5:18, Philippians 4:6-7*

- ◇ Giving thanks in everything is to [BELIEVE](#) that Christ [IN me](#) is [already all I need](#) in every situation.
- ◇ Thanksgiving turns my attention from [my inadequacy](#) to [God's sufficiency](#). This is to [live by Faith](#).

• **The Body Language of Our Faith.** *Revelation 4*

- ◇ We lay our [crowns down](#) because they [belong](#) to [Him](#). [He](#) did the [work](#).