

# How To Miss God's Blessings

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## (–) See according to the flesh, complain about others, and don't pray for them, vv. 15–16

Maturing believers non longer see people using worldly values, they notice people's faith and love, 2 Cor. 5:16.

Maturing believers increasingly give thanks and \_\_\_\_\_ for one another.

Can you imagine a church where all of her members daily pray for one another?

## (–) Stay at a shallow, superficial level of \_\_\_\_\_, v. 17

Involve Christ moment by moment, take breaks to listen to God speak to you.

Deepen your appreciation for Christ, what He has done, and His presence with you.

If we increasingly lived with Christ's presence, most of our stress, loneliness, anger, hurt, frustration would be gone.

## (–) Keep the eyes of our hearts closed, ignoring our hope, inheritance, and power, vv. 17–19

Don't let your heart be closed to spiritual reality. This is why Paul prays, this is what he feared for us.

The hope we are called to \_\_\_\_\_ the riches of His glorious inheritance \_\_\_\_\_ His immeasurable greatness.

Pay attention to the eyes of your heart.

## (–) Don't exercise the resurrection \_\_\_\_\_ that we already possess, vv. 20–23

Responsibly wield the spiritual authority entrusted to us, to do great things for His Kingdom.

### My worship response to God:

- I confess that I complain about or look down at some believers.
- Imitating Paul's example, I will give thanks and pray for a different church member each day.
- I will take at least one break a day to practice the presence of God.
- Please pray that God's power would bring healing and wholeness to my family.
- I am interested in baptism or transfer of membership. Please email <elders@journeyec.org>.

Personal application: \_\_\_\_\_

If you would like to be prayed for, after service please come forward to the steps on the left.  
A prayer team member will listen to you and lift you up in prayer.