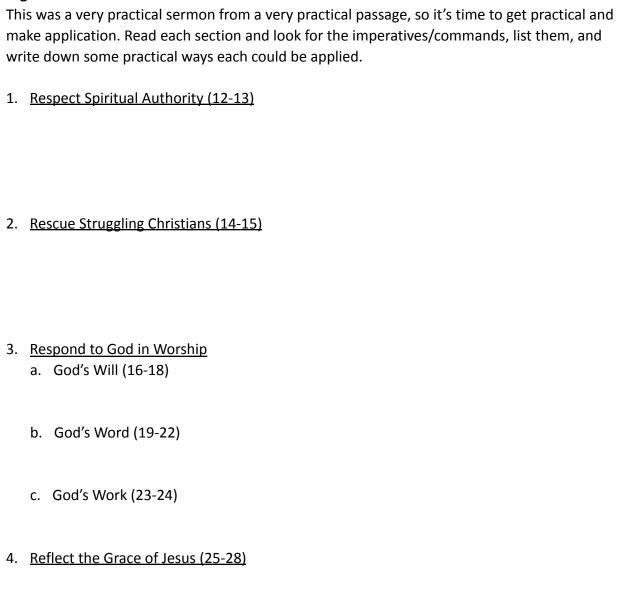
# **Sermon Supplement from November 5**

Healthy Churches In The Meantime | 1 Thess. 5:12-28

### Warm Up

- What do you think are some of the most important characteristics of a healthy church? Why did you choose those?
- How do you think PCBC is doing?

## Dig In



**Wrap Up:** Look back over all the application ideas you've listed. Circle a few that the Spirit of God is convicting you to work on. What steps can you take this week?

(Bible Reading Guide and Resources on Other Side)

**Weekly Bible Reading Guide** – In order to help you engage with God's Word and our Sunday sermons, we suggest using the exercises below as part of your personal Bible reading and study for the coming week.

#### Next Week's Sermon Text - 2 Thessalonians 1:1-12

# **Study Exercises** (use as you have time)

- 1. Read the text at least 5 times (in different translations if possible)
- 2. Answer some basic investigative questions such as: What are important terms or concepts? What is the tone? What is emphasized, repeated or related? Are there significant comparisons or contrasts? What verses or ideas jump out at you?
- 3. Make a list of terms, people, places, or ideas that you need to research further? Use a study Bible, Bible dictionary, or digital resources to help you understand these.
- 4. In your own words, what is the big idea of this text?
- 5. Consult 1 or more of the resources listed below. How does this expand your understanding of the text?
- 6. Apply It: What are the major points of application from this text? How does what you have learned impact the way you think, feel, or act?

## Resources

- A good Study Bible such as the ESV Study Bible, MacArthur Study Bible, Faithlife Study Bible (free app),
- Video Introduction: Watch The Bible Project summary videos for 1&2 Thessalonians
- Study Guide: 1&2 Thessalonians and Titus MacArthur Bible Study Guide
- Basic Commentary: <u>1&2 Thessalonians For You</u> Ligon Duncan
- In-depth Commentary: <u>The Letters to the Thessalonians</u> Pillar New Testament Commentary, Gene L. Green
- In-depth sermon series: Visit gty.org to find John MacArthur's verse by verse sermon series on these two books.