

**A HEALTHY CHURCH (PART 3):
KEEPING CONSTANT COMMUNION WITH GOD**

Text: 1 Thessalonians 5:15

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INTRODUCTION

- A church is only as spiritually healthy as the people who are in it.
- We must keep constant communion with our Creator if we are to remain spiritually healthy.
- In 1 Thessalonians 5:16-22 Paul gives 6 imperatives directed at each member's personal communion with God.

- 1. Joyful in outlook (5:16)**
- 2. Persistent in prayer (5:17)**
- 3. Grateful in attitude (5:18)**
- 4. Sensitive to the Spirit (5:19)**
- 5. Obedient to Scripture (5:20)**
- 6. Committed to Discernment (5:21-22)**

CONCLUSION

- Why is this so important? It all has to do with Gardens.
- What happens in the Garden?
- What is the point of the Garden?
- Who is in the Garden?