

## SHOWING APPRECIATION

Use the following Growth Group discussion questions to deepen your relationship with God, his Word and others.

Growth Group Leaders: It is not necessary to use all the questions. Select or ask questions you like or that best fit your Growth Group.

### **BREAK IT OUT:**

1. What act or word of appreciation had the greatest impact on you? Why?
2. What got your attention or made you think of a new idea in Sunday's sermon?

### **TALK IT OUT: (1 TIMOTHY 5:17-23)**

3. How have you learned to invest in others (from those who have invested in you)?
4. How are you using your gifts to serve others in the church?
5. Do you feel appreciated when serving? Why or why not?
6. Do you feel you are obeying the spirit of the text in *1 Timothy 5:19*?
7. If you're not obedient to this verse, what changes do you need to make?
8. How can you unselfishly begin to care for the well-being of others?

### **WORK IT OUT:**

9. This week, how will you show appreciation to those who have spiritually invested in you?
10. How can your Growth Group help or come alongside you in this endeavor?

## Showing Appreciation

8/10 in the series The Faithful Church  
February 28, 2016 • Pastor Robb Williams • *1 Timothy 5*

Here are some great traits of a healthy church! The teachings of St. Paul (*1 Timothy 5:17-23*) include the importance of showing appreciation to leaders. I know that our pastoral staff is overwhelmed by this church's kindness, so now let's broaden our kindness to others. Let's each surprise someone this week by showing appreciation to some of those wonderful people in our lives whom we may normally take for granted. Here's how:

1. **Give "double honor"** - (*1 Timothy 5:17-18*). There are some men and women in our lives who have earned great honor.
2. **Let's expect the best** - (*1 Timothy 5:19*). Quick to believe the good and anxious to dismiss the bad.
3. **Care about one another's well being**- (*1 Timothy 5:23*). Even the superheroes in our lives need encouragement and rest.

### **Take Your Next Step**

What can you do this week to show appreciation to someone who has done a lot for you?

**NEXT WEEK 9/10 • THE FAITHFUL CHURCH**  
**SERVING THE LORD • 1 Timothy 6:1-2**