

Heartland Kids Weekend Bulletin

October 10-11, 2020

Ephesians 1:15-17 ESV

For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God's people, I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better.



Encouragement

- Paul's word in our passage today reflects encouragement. This reflects God's encouragement, with which we are blessed.
- God loves us and wants us to do well in His kingdom. Even when God needs to say some tough things to us, He does so in love.
- In Revelation 2 and 3, when God speaks to the seven churches, He encourages, corrects and then encourages again. This pattern is similar to how Paul speaks to the church he planted.

Thanksgiving

- When we gather with family for Thanksgiving weekend, we often thank God for all His goodness to us and that is awesome! During COVID-19, there is still a lot for which we can be thankful! Be encouraged this thanksgiving to try and focus on being grateful.
 - *Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.* 1 Thessalonians 5:18

Prayer

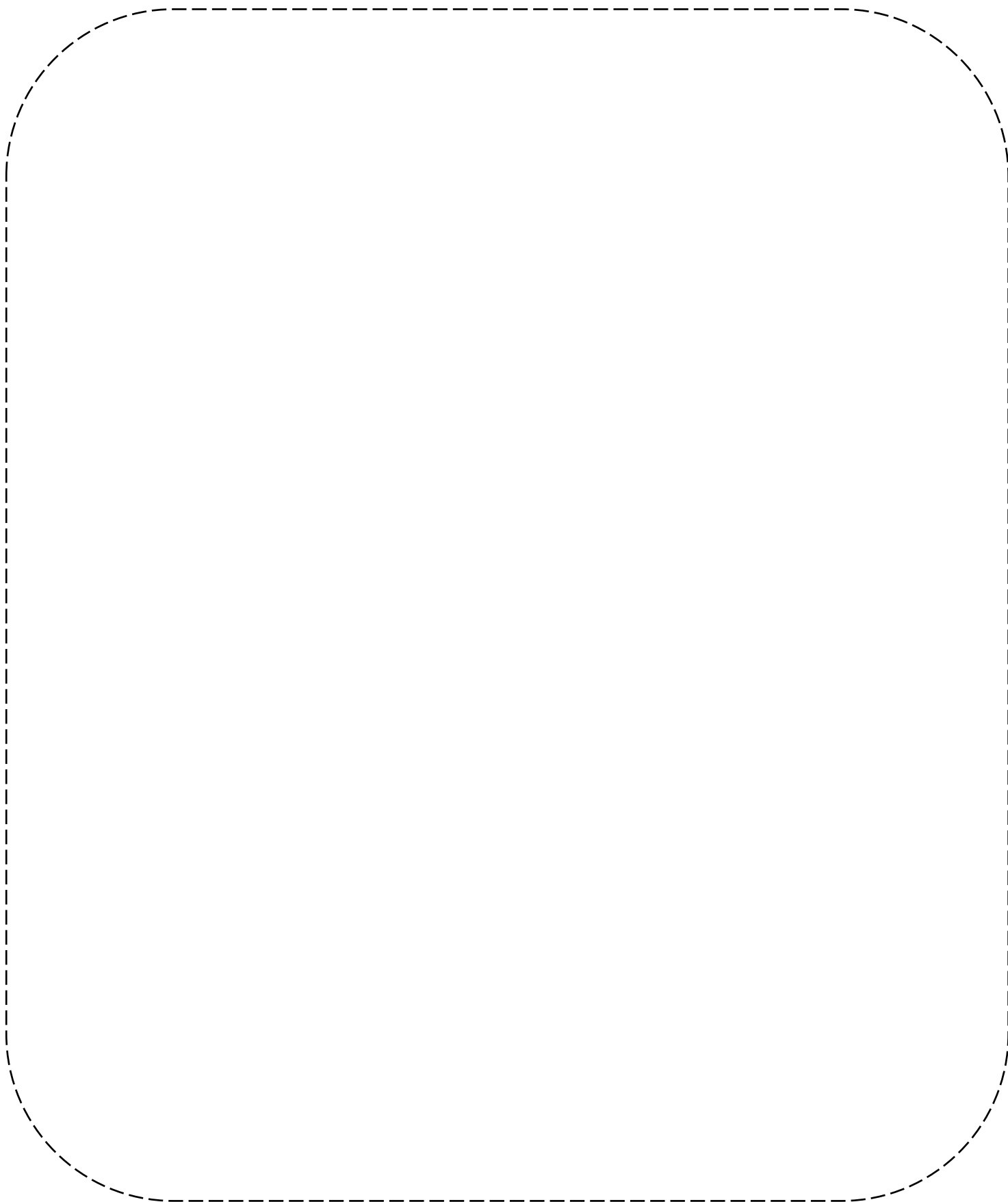
- Paul was known for his prayer life. There are many records, in the New Testament, of Paul's prayers. In 1 Thessalonians 5:17 he says, "pray continually," and in Romans 15:30-31, "I urge you, brothers and sisters, by our Lord Jesus Christ and by the love of the Spirit, to join me in my struggle by praying to God for me. Pray that I may be kept safe."
- During this season we are in, of COVID-19, be encouraged to be continually praying.

Some questions to discuss as a family:

Who are the people in your life for whom you are grateful?

How can you practice constant gratitude during this Thanksgiving season?

DRAW A PICTURE OF WHAT YOU LEARNED TODAY



Family Challenge

Enjoy this Thanksgiving long weekend as family! Each day spend time discussing one or two things for which you are grateful!

We would love to hear what you are grateful for, so send us an email at kids@heartlandalliance.ca.

Happy Thanksgiving!