Gratitude | Gratitude is a Full-time Job 11.19.23

START TALKING | (Find a conversation starter for your group)

Do you tend to see the glass half-full or half-empty?

START EXPLORING and SHARING

Read Romans 8:28-39

- Today, have you felt more like a conqueror or conquered?
- What confidence does verse 28 give believers about events that occur in their lives?
 - o When has it been hardest for you to believe this?
 - o How have you seen God bring something good out of a bad situation?
- From verses 29-30, what steps are outlined, "For those God foreknew"?
- How do verses 31-34 support Romans 8:1, "There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ"?
- Of the agents of separation listed in verses 35-39, which is most threatening to you?
 - What phrase or verse from this passage particularly strikes you and why?
- How are you doing in the school of hard knocks right now?
 - What is the closest you have come to feeling the despair and loneliness of being separated from God like Paul describes in verses 31-39?
 - How do their complaints relate to our complaints today?
- Why do you think they angered God?
- In what ways are we no different from the Israelites?
- How can you help create quiet moments for God to speak to you?

Start Praying. (Be bold and pray with power)

How can this group be praying for you this week?

Start Doing. (Commit to a step, and live it out this week)

Memorize Romans 8:28