

Potential Discussion Questions
Message: Engage JOY, Pt 16 (7-30-17)
Unity Buster: Grumbling (Phil. 2:14-18)

1. Where are you most prone to grumble and dispute? What often triggers it?
2. What good comes from grumbling? What damage happens? How does it impact joy & unity?
3. The message looked at four impacts of grumbling and disputing. What stood out most to you? Where were you challenged or convicted?
4. How do you see the world as crooked and depraved? How does the lack of grumbling make a statement to the world apart from Christ?
5. Put in your own words what it means to be a light in the darkness and hold forth the word of life. Where are you most challenged to do this? Why do believers often fail to "shine as lights"? Read Mt 5:14-16 and 2 Cor. 4:3-7. What insights do these passages add?
6. Do you ever feel like "it's not worth it" to pour yourself out in service? How do you respond? What Scripture helps you press on? Is there ever a time to back up or quit? How would you determine that?
7. How would you describe Paul's motivation in giving this command/instruction? How do those same motivations apply for you?
8. What are the benefits of constructive dissent? What are your best practices for engaging in it? What biblical principles apply?
9. Doing constructive dissent well requires that we have a reasonable handle on our own emotions and how to express them. Where and how have you learned this? Where do you think you need the most growth?
10. Has any grumbling and disputing gained a foothold in your heart? What do you want/need to do about it?
11. What is your best take-away from this study? How would you like others to pray for you in regard to this text?