

Analyze your complaining habits together.

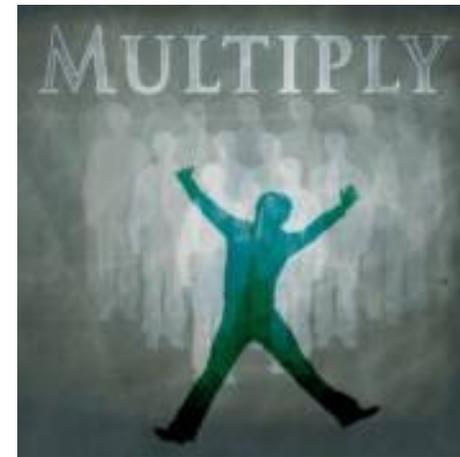
- What do you complain about?
- Who do you complain to?
- Where does it happen?
- What have been some consequences and costs for complaining in your life?
- How do you need to become more Christ-like in your thought patterns and communications?
- What can you rejoice about?

Take inventory of you self this week when you are talking with co-workers, friends, and family. Are you being a light in their day? Try to think of at least one thing that you are thankful for in a bad situation you face this week.

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"More than a Church, we're family"

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I QUIT - Week 2
I QUIT COMPLAINING

Philippians 2:14

*Do everything without complaining
or arguing...*

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Exodus 16:2-4

²The whole congregation of the sons of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness.

³The sons of Israel said to them, "Would that we had died by the LORD'S hand in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the pots of meat, when we ate bread to the full; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

⁴Then the LORD said to Moses, "Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you; and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day, that I may test them, whether or not they will walk in My instruction.

- Often we focus so much on the problems of the moment that we cannot look forward to the blessings God can bring from these problems. In this study we are going to look at the danger of complaining.

THE COST OF COMPLAINING

1) COMPLAINING OFFENDS THE HEART OF GOD.

Numbers 11:1-2

¹Now the people became like those who complain of adversity in the hearing of the LORD; and when the LORD heard it, His anger was kindled, and the fire of the LORD burned among them and consumed some of the outskirts of the camp.

²The people therefore cried out to Moses, and Moses prayed to the LORD and the fire died out.

2) COMPLAINING CARRIES SIGNIFICANT CONSEQUENCES.

Numbers 14:27-30

²⁷"How long shall I bear with this evil congregation who are grumbling against Me? I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel, which they are making against Me.

²⁸"Say to them, 'As I live,' says the LORD, 'just as you have spoken in My hearing, so I will surely do to you;

²⁹your corpses will fall in this wilderness, even all your numbered men, according to your complete number from twenty years old and upward, who have grumbled against Me.

³⁰'Surely you shall not come into the land in which I swore to settle you, except Caleb the son of Jephunneh and Joshua the son of Nun.

RESTRAINING OUR COMPLAINING

WHAT? DO NOT COMPLAIN.

Ephesians 4:29

²⁹Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, so that it will give grace to those who hear.

WHY? SO YOU CAN BECOME MORE LIKE CHRIST.

Philippians 2:14-15

¹⁴Do all things without grumbling or disputing;

¹⁵so that you will prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, children of God above reproach in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you appear as lights in the world,

Luke 6:45

⁴⁵"The good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth what is good; and the evil man out of the evil treasure brings forth what is evil; for his mouth speaks from that which fills his heart.

HOW? CHOOSE TO REJOICE NO MATTER WHAT.

Philippians 2:17-18

¹⁷But even if I am being poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrifice and service of your faith, I rejoice and share my joy with you all.

¹⁸You too, I urge you, rejoice in the same way and share your joy with me.