

# GRUMBLER'S ANONYMOUS

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*In the desert the whole community grumbled against Moses and Aaron. Exodus 16:2; 15:24; 17:3; Numbers 14:2*

*Don't grumble against one another, brothers and sisters, or you will be judged. The Judge is standing at the door! James 5:9*

- **Grumbling:** *to make complaining remarks in a \_\_\_\_\_ way... to mumble, mutter, growl dissatisfaction*

**Hebrew:** *"to whisper, to slander, to murmur, to rebel . . . to voice a \_\_\_\_\_."*

*For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard. Matthew 20:1*

<sup>8</sup> *"When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the workers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last ones hired and going on to the first.'"*<sup>9</sup> *The workers who were hired about five in the afternoon came and each received a denarius.*<sup>10</sup> *So when those came who were hired*

*first, they expected to receive more. But each one of them also received a denarius.*<sup>11</sup> *When they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner.*<sup>12</sup> *'These who were hired last worked only one hour,' they said, 'and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day.'* . . . <sup>16</sup> *So the last will be first, and the first will be last."* Matthew 20:8-12,16

## How to stop grumbling:

### 1. Give thanks for what you \_\_\_\_\_.

*Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever. Psalm 107:1; 118:1; 136:1*

### 2. Don't \_\_\_\_\_ yourself to others.

*We do not dare to classify or compare ourselves with some who commend themselves. When they measure themselves by themselves and compare themselves with themselves, they are not wise. II Corinthians 10:12; Romans 12:13*

### 3. God's \_\_\_\_\_ doesn't make sense.

*He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? Romans 8:32*

#### NEXT STEPS for November 23 - Grumbler's Anonymous:

- ☐ Thank God for the blessings you've already experienced.
- ☐ Pick up the Thanksgiving@Home & Christmas@Home guides from the HomeView Center.
- ☐ Pray about what you will give to the 2014 World Mission Offering on December 7.