INTRODUCTION:
1. PAUL COMMANDED THE THESSALONIANS TO GIVE THANKS IN ALL THINGS (5:18a).
2. PAUL FOLLOWED THIS COMMAND WITH ONE CLEAR REASON (5:18 $oldsymbol{b}$).
3. APPLICATIONS:
(1) Giving thanks in all things is Christlike.
(2) Giving thanks in all things is the example left for us by the apostles, the heavenly host, and God's people throughout the ages.
(3) Giving thanks in all things displays the condition of our heart.
(4) Giving thanks in all things brings glory to God in all things.
CONCLUSION: