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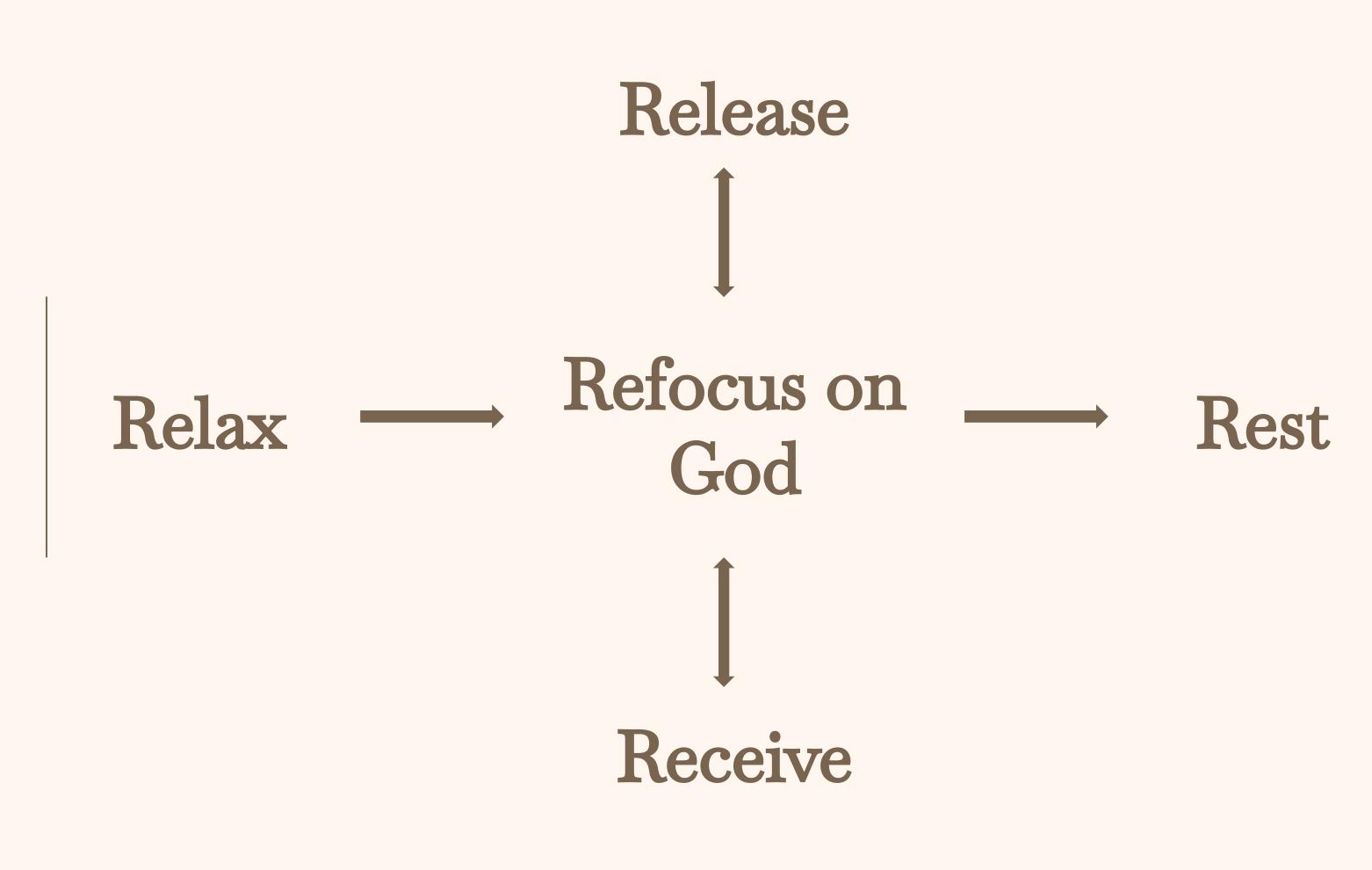
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1 THESSALONIANS 5:16-18 NIV



Prayer: An interactive ongoing conversation with God about what we are doing together.





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"Thanks" in Hebrew

Todah - shouts of gratitude
Yadah - hands lifted in adoration
Barak - honor by kneeling

Enter into his gates with **thanksgiving** (todah) and his courts with praise; **give thanks** (yadah) to him and **praise** (barak) His name. For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

PSALM 100:4-5 NIV



God gives Spirit produces GRACE JOY "in all circumstances" We receive with THANKS

Giving thanks like Christ

Eucharisteo - process of thanks in any circumstance



"Ingratitude is the soul's enemy...

Ingratitude is a burning wind that dries up the source of love, the dew of mercy, the streams of grace."

-BERNARD of CLAIRVAUX



Giving God thanks in any circumstance doesn't always change the circumstance, but it will always change us.



Let's give thanks to God together:

Fix your attention and affection on Jesus.

Use silence, singing, speaking, and sharing to *pray continually*.

Share your story by emailing *mocommunity@fellowshipnwa.org*.

