

03 session 3

AN EFFECTIVE GOSPEL

as you GO

These are simple questions to ask your student as you go home from church or go about your weekly activities.

- .01** What are some of the biggest influences in how you live your life? What inspires or motivates you?
- .02** How can negative experiences discourage you or change the way you act?

family DEVOTION

Consider following up with your student later in the week with the following summary and discussion questions.

summary: 1 THESSALONIANS 2:13-20

All of us are shaped by the things we watch, read, and learn. Whether it's a childhood movie, a novel we read in high school, or a play we watched, these things can have a profound impact on us. Paul was thankful to God because the Thessalonians had received the message of the gospel in a way that shaped their lives. They were not letting persecution get in their way of living out the gospel. Ultimately, the word of God should be the greatest informer of how we live and what we do. When God's word works in us, God works through us.

discussion QUESTIONS

- .01** What kinds of obstacles to faith were the Thessalonians facing? How were they responding?
- .02** How should we live out the gospel in our lives, even when the culture around us makes it difficult?

PRAY: Pray that God would give you strength and encouragement to faithfully live out His Word in your life, regardless of any opposition you may face.

CENTRAL truth

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LEADER challenge

Challenge your student to use the Daily Devotions provided in their *Daily Discipleship Guide* to study God's Word this week. These are the passages covered in this week's devotions.

DAY 1 1 THESS. 2:13-16

DAY 2 1 THESS. 2:17-20

DAY 3 ISAIAH 62:1-3

DAY 4 JEREMIAH 23:16-22

DAY 5 HEBREWS 3:18-4:6

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