



## 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13

### Getting Started

Who is the most loving leader you have ever had in life? What stands out to you about them?

#### Discussion

What stood out to you from the sermon this weekend?

Why is Paul so adamant about proving to the Thessalonians his purity of heart? How much does the life and heart/motives of a leader matter to you in your life?

Where did Paul learn the kind of loving leadership he displayed? Look at Philippians 2:3-9; Ephesians 5:2; 2 Corinthians 5:14; 1 John 4:7-11. What stands out from any/all of those verses?

What three actions does Paul use to talk about how a father relates to his children? Talk about each of those as a group. Which would you say you need most in your life with God currently? Why?

Discuss the difference between a human word and the word of God (v.13)? What are the markers of a divine word? Are you confident in your ability to discern truth?

#### Prayer

Pray for any specific requests anyone has. Praise God for any victories, breakthroughs, or any good thing anyone wants to share.

Does anyone among you need comfort, encouragement, and/or urging? This can be about just about anything. Take time to pray over those ones.

### As you go

Who do you know in your life that needs comfort, encouragement, or urging? If there isn't an obvious answer to that question for you, take time to ask the Lord to bring someone to mind. And then take a step of faith to approach them and do what God is asking you to do.

