JOURNEY together

Current Series:

1 Thessalonians

8 Week Resource Guides for disciples growing together in small groups



Step 1: GETREAL

What are you thankful for from this past week?
What struggles did you face this past week?
What can you share from recent personal Bible reading or thoughts?

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Step 2: GET FED

READ 1 THESSALONIANS 1:1-3; 7-8; PHILIPPIANS 2:3-4;

- WHY DO YOU THINK THAT PAUL BEGINS BY TELLING GOD'S PEOPLE IN THESSALONICA THAT HE IS THANKFUL AND PRAYFUL FOR THEM?
- WHAT REASONS DID PAUL GIVE FOR BEING THANKFUL FOR THEM? WHAT WERE THEY DOING RIGHT?
- WHAT REASONS ARE YOU PERSONALLY THANKFUL FOR THE BODY OF CHRIST IN STARKVILLE?
- HOW CAN WE BE PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN SUCH A WAY THAT CAUSE OTHERS TO THANK GOD?
- WHAT CAN WE LEARN FROM PAUL, SILVANUS AND TIMOTHY'S ATTITUDE TOWARDS THE CHURCH IN THESSALONICA? WHAT SHOULD OUR ATTITUDE BE TOWARDS THE CHURCH?
- DISCUSS HOW FAITH LEADS TO WORK, LABOR COMES FROM LOVE AND HOPE LEADS TO BEING STEADFAST? (VERSE 3)

READ 1 THESSALONIANS 1:4-10; 4:9-10; 1 COR. 13:1-3; 16:14

- THE CHURCH AT THESSALONICA "BECAME A MODEL TO ALL THE BELIEVERS IN MACEDONIA AND ACHAIA." (V7) WHAT MADE THEM SUCH A GOOD EXAMPLE?
- WHAT CAN WE LEARN ABOUT SPREADING THE GOSPEL FROM VERSES 4-6?
- DISCUSS HOW FAITH LEADS TO WORK, LABOR COMES FROM LOVE AND HOPE LEADS TO BEING STEADFAST? (VERSE 3)
- WHEN DO YOU FIND IT HARDEST TO LABOR OUT OF LOVE?
- WHAT WRONG MOTIVATIONS CAN WE HAVE FOR DOING THE RIGHT THINGS?

Step 3: GET ACTIVE

PRAY FOR THE CHURCH IN STARKVILLE:

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- AS A GROUP, DISCUSS HOW YOU CAN BE PRAYING FOR THE BODY OF CHRIST IN STARKVILLE. (For example; what about the church would you thank God for, what would you ask God to do through the church in the future?)
- USING WHAT THE GROUP DISCUSSED, EACH DAY THIS WEEK, INDIVIDUALLY PRAY FOR THE CHURCH IN STARKVILLE.