



# THE TRANSFORMING GOSPEL

## 1 THESSALONIANS

## 1 Thessalonians 2:1-12

### Bold Gospel Preaching

Can you remember the people that first told you the gospel? Can you remember how they went about doing that?

In 1 Thessalonians 2:1-12, Paul reminds the Thessalonians about how he, Silas and Timothy conducted themselves while they were in Thessalonica preaching the gospel. This theme of conduct, starts in 1 Thessalonians 1:5b, and now Paul is expanding on it in chapter 2.

Pray

Read 1 Thessalonians 2:1-12

1. What does Paul say the Thessalonians know in verse 1?
2. How does chapter 1 prove this?

3. Conflict seemed to follow Paul wherever he went to preach the gospel. In verse 2, what is it that keeps Paul preaching the gospel of God?
  
4. Why would this help?
  
5. Looking at verses 3 to 10, list out all the ways Paul describes how he conducted himself as he preached the gospel of God in Thessalonica. (Would be great to do on a big piece of paper if you have one as a group)
  
6. What surprises you the most with how Paul says that he conducted himself while in Thessalonica?
  
7. What stands out to you about how Paul says he conducted himself?
  
8. Why do you think Paul wants to remind the Thessalonians of how he conducted himself when he came and preached to them the gospel?
  
9. What does Paul remind the Thessalonians of in verses 11 and 12?

10. Why would Paul be reminding the Thessalonians of this?

11. How does this connect with the previous verses of the chapter?

12. What principles can we draw from this passage that shape how we go about preaching the gospel of God?

13. Spend time discussing how following these principles would help our gospel preaching and then think about the opposite, how would disobeying these principles hinder our gospel preaching.

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