

1 THESS. 4:9-12

“BASICS”

SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE



LET'S TALK!

#1 LOVE MORE

- Read 1 Thessalonians 4:9-10. What did Paul mean when he said, “You have been taught by God to love one another?”
- What are some differences between godly love and worldly love (read 1 Corinthians 13)?
- Why does Paul say to love “more and more?”

#2 LIVE QUIET

- Read 1 Thessalonians 4:11. What did Paul mean when he said to “aspire to live quietly and mind your own affairs?”
- Discuss this: Why is it so important for people who claim to be Christians to have evidence of Gospel transformation in their life?

#3 WORK HARD

- Read 1 Thessalonians 4:11. How had Paul and the apostles modeled a strong work ethic for the Thessalonians, and why was that important (see 2:5-6, 9)?
- Why should Christians be a people who avoid laziness, and do their work for the good of man and the glory of God?

#4 WALK RIGHT

- In 1 Thessalonians 4:12, Paul attached our walk (manner of living) to our witness. How does our walk affect our witness?
- Discuss this: How should Christians be in the world without becoming of the world?