

2 THESS. 3:1-5

KEEP IT SIMPLE

SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE



LET'S TALK!

#1 PRAY

- Read 2 Thessalonians 3:1-2. Why did Paul request the prayers of these people?
- What did Paul ask them to pray for specifically and why are those things important?
- Why is prayer so important, but often so neglected?

#2 TRUST

- Read 2 Thessalonians 3:3. What does it mean that God is faithful, and why was/is it important to remember that?
- From this verse, what can we be sure that God will do?
- Discuss this quote, "At the end of the day, either we trust God or we don't." Why does everything ultimately come back to faith?

#3 OBEY

- Read 2 Thessalonians 3:4. Why did Paul have confidence that the Thessalonians would continue to obey (e.g. Philippians 1:6)?
- What were some of the things Paul had commanded them to do that they were to obey (e.g. 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12)?
- Jesus said, "If you love Me, you will obey Me." Why do love and obedience go hand in hand?

#4 GROW

- Read 2 Thessalonians 3:5. What does this verse mean and why would Paul pray this for these believers?
- Why is it critical to rest in the love of God and steadfastness of Christ?
- Spiritual growth is not optional for Christians. Why must believers always be growing in some form or fashion, and what should we do when we are not growing?