

1 THESS.1:1-10

What did God use to get your attention and expose you to the message of the gospel?

Read 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

1. Describe what the environment would have been like for the early Christians at Thessalonica according to verse 6? Also see Acts 17:1-9

2. In verse 2, Paul says that they always thank God continually and pray for them persistently. Why does this affect their relationship with the people of Thessalonica? How could constant prayer affect your relationship with friends or people? And also with people you may have a rough relationship with?

3. In verse 3 Paul remembers their Christian lives:
 - a) What are *ōworksö* and why are they produced by faith? Also See Ephesians 2:8-10

 - b) What is *ōlabourö* and how is it affected by love? Also see Luke 7:44-47; Colossians 3:12-14

 - c) Why does hope build *ōenduranceö*? Also see 1 Peter 1:3-5

4. According to verse 4-5 on what grounds did Paul know that God had chosen the Thessalonians?

5. Why did they become *–a model to all believersö*7?

6. What 3 steps in their conversion are mentioned in verse 9-10?

How should understanding this affect:

- a) You personally?

- b) How you share Jesus with other?

- c) How a new Christian is nurtured?

Think

7. What opposition do you face as you seek to spread the gospel and how has this passage encouraged you to keep at it?

8. What will make you a more effective model to others and what can you change in order to be a better witness for Jesus?

9. From the passage, How does the gospel message spread and what are some important implications of this for our church?

Give thanks for good numbers at Youth Surge and pray for Youth across our church and the Diocese; Pray for the persecuted church