

# 1 Thessalonians

Week 3: "You know..."

This letter demonstrates how quickly God changed these people. Only a few months before, the Thessalonians were lost. A few months later, they had become models "to all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia" and later their "faith in God [had] become known everywhere" (v. 8). May that be our prayer!

Whether we are new to be a disciple of Jesus, or we've been on the journey for a long while, what sort of reputation would you like to have? Be specific. Would you like to be known as a man/woman of prayer? Encouragement? Love? Service? Close your eyes and dream big. Then take a moment to write these desires down and form your own prayer. Ask God to change you on the inside and make you this type of person. List any scriptures that might coordinate with the desires of your heart.

## Questions for the Week:

1. What verse or thought did you want to revisit from the message time this week?
2. How did the Thessalonians become models for all Macedonian and Achaian believers?
3. Who has modeled the Christian life for you and how has it impacted your walk with Christ?
4. Do you feel like you're a good mode? Why or Why Not?
5. Who is someone you encouraged this week? How did you encourage them?
6. How would someone describe your leadership and life? What would you keep and what would you like to change?
7. What's your family make-up? How many brothers & sisters?
8. What's your thoughts regarding the church being a "family"?
9. What is your default way you try to let others know you "care" or "love" them?
10. Read Romans 5:8. What are your thoughts?
11. Who do you find yourself looking for as an "example"? Work, Family, Church, etc.
12. What "example" do you feel you set for others? Good? Acceptable? Why do you feel that way?
13. Read 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10.
14. What is the most encouraging verse? What challenges you the most? What's the verse that you have the most questions about?

## Memory Verse:

*1 Thessalonians 1:8 (ESV)*

*<sup>8</sup>For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything.*