

1 Thessalonians: Hope in Love

Text: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-12

Purpose: To show that the hope of the Gospel is confirmed by the hearts of it's messengers

Opening Question: *What makes a good parent?*

Read and Discuss: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-12

1. *What was the result in Paul's perseverance through "suffering and shamefully treated"? What might our perseverance through difficulties produce in ourselves? In our families? In our small group?*
2. *What's the hardest part about suffering or going through difficult seasons of life?*
3. *In verse 4 how do you think Paul and others were "approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel"? How has the gospel impacted your life?*
4. *In verses 5-8 describe how Paul ministered to these people? What stands out most to you in those verses?*
5. *Given Paul's example what does it look like to "proclaim the gospel of God"?*