THE GOSPEL COMES WITH POWER

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Key Verse: 1:5

1. Who are the senders1 and recipients (1a)? How was the Thessalonian church born (Ac 17:1-4)? How did Paul greet them (1b)? What is the significance of “in God the Father,” and “the Lord Jesus Christ” to them?

2. What did Paul express about them (2-3)? What were Paul’s specific thanksgiving topics? What can you learn here about faith, love and hope?

3. Read verses 4-5. How did Paul describe the Thessalonian believers in relation to God? How did Paul describe the power of the gospel? Why did Paul mention how he lived among them? What can you learn here about the gospel?

4. How did Paul commend the Thessalonians’ response to the gospel message (6)? How could they endure sufferings with joy? How did their faith influence others (7-9a)?

5. How did the gospel change the lives and hopes of the Thessalonians (9b-10)? What can we learn about God and about his Son Jesus?