

Digging Deeper Sermon Review: February 13, 2022

Group Check-in

Open with prayer and follow up from the previous meeting. Feel free to utilize the following if they are helpful:

- Check in on past prayer requests, evidence of grace, and things for which to be grateful.
- How's your soul this week?
 - What's been hard?
 - Where is sin alluring/tempting?
 - Where is God at work in your life?
 - Where has God been good to you this past week?
 - Who are the unbelievers you are praying for?
 - Did you have any gospel opportunities in the past week?

Dig Deeper into the Sermon: To the Church in God (1 Thessalonians 1:1-3)

Have someone read Sunday's text. Consider working through some of the following questions as a group:

- What is the evidence of genuine Christian conversion?
- On what is the ultimate security of a Christian based?
- What is the distinctive point about the identity of the Thessalonian church in verse 1?
 - How is this especially helpful given the context of opposition in Thessalonica?
- Why does Paul begin and end this letter with references to God's grace?

- What does Paul's model of gratitude say to us?
 - Are you more aware of God's grace at CCC or the deficiencies of the church?
 - What about the people in your life and Community Group?
 - Spend time highlighting evidences of grace you see at Cornerstone.
- What is the evidence in verse 3 that the people in Thessalonica are genuine believers?
- In what ways should our faith in Christ motivate us to work for Christ?
- What does it mean for you to labor in love?
- How should hope play a part in how we live out our Christian lives?
- How should Christ's future work affect us now?
- In what ways has Paul's introduction affected you?
- Spend time praying for God's word to go out in power and for this series to bear serious Kingdom fruit in our lives and in our church.

Wrap up with Prayer

Consider ways in which you can pray for one another in light of the direction the Spirit has led your discussion time.