

Digging Deeper Sermon Review: April 10, 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: Meaning in the Mundane (1Th. 4:9-12)

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

- How does the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit enable you to love others?
- Given Paul's commendation of the Thessalonians' love, why does he tell them to love one another "more and more"?
 - What are some ways you can practice this?
- What does living quietly mean?
 - What does that look like in your life?
- What does Paul mean by "mind your own affairs"?
 - O How is that applicable in your life?

- What are some practical ways you can apply this passage to your life?
- How is it possible for our actions to hinder the church and the gospel?
- How can we be encouraged to show greater love within the church and beyond?
- What effect does our behavior have on the reputation of the church and the gospel to those outside the Christian community?
- In your own words, give a brief theology of work?
 - What fills work with dignity and meaning?
- Is it evident to you that Christians are sometimes more concerned about getting rather than giving in the church context?
- How are the exhortations in verse 11 still useful for us today?
- Do you tend to think of things as either secular or sacred?
 - How does this text adjust that dichotomy?
- How can you show more and more love to your church family this week?
- How can you show more and more love to those outside the church family this week?

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.