



# hope and holiness

a study in  
1 Thessalonians

## Discussion Questions

1. Read 1 Thessalonians 2:1-12.
2. A better translation of verse 1 is “our visit to you was not insincere.” Why would Paul have to defend the sincerity of his visit to Thessalonica? (Do you remember why he was writing this letter?)
3. His defence for his sincerity is in verse 2. What is his argument?
4. Read Acts 16.
5. What are some bad things that happened in Philippi? Has it ever occurred to you that Paul and Silas and Timothy maybe didn’t want to go on after that? What does 1 Thess. 2:2 say allowed them to keep going?
6. Why does Paul preach the gospel (v 4)?
7. Have you ever thought about the privilege you have been given to be entrusted by God with the gospel? What does it say about how you see yourself and others and God when you don’t share the gospel?
8. How did Paul share the gospel (v 8-9)?
9. What would it look like for you to share your lives with those around you who are unsaved? How can you show love to them and work diligently for them?
10. Have you been praying for God to show you who to share the gospel with? Who has God laid on your heart to share the gospel with? Share with the group.
11. What is your strategy?
12. How can we pray for you?