



hope and holiness

a study in
1 thessalonians

Discussion Questions

1. Read 1 Thessalonians 3:6-13
2. These verses give us an example from Paul about how we can pray for each other. What are the four different ways we can pray for each other according to these verses?
3. Have you been praying for your brothers and sisters in Christ this week? If so, what has been your strategy? If not, why not?
4. What are some ways that you have been encouraged by other Christians recently?
5. Take some time to pray right now, thanking God for these brothers and sisters. Ask God to help you get to know other Christians better so you can be more encouraged by them.
6. Have you had opportunities to build into the lives and faith of other Christians recently? What are some practical ways you can do this more in the weeks to come?
7. Take some time to pray for more opportunities to do this in the weeks to come.
8. Do you have any stories about how God has increased your love for another Christian? Is this a strange topic for you? Why or why not?
9. Take some time to pray that God would make our love increase and overflow for each other and everyone.
10. Verse 13 is best translated in the ESV and should start with "so that he may establish your hearts..." How does increasing love cause us to grow in holiness?
11. How does the gospel tie into this relationship between love and holiness?
12. How have other Christians helped you grow in holiness? Has love played into this?
13. Take some time to pray that God would help our church to grow together in holiness through Christ who has made us new.