



## *Worship in the Word*

Declaring the Whole Counsel of God Verse By Verse

### **1 Thessalonians 2:13-16**

## **Being Thankful for God's People**



### **I. God's People Receive God's Word (13)**

Received (**παραλαμβάνω** paralambano) -

**Mark 4:20** -

**1 Corinthians 15:1-2** -

Welcomed (**δέχομαι** dechomai) -

**Psalms 119:160** -

**John 17:17** -

**1 Peter 1:22-25** -

**Hebrews 4:12** -

### **II. God's People Resemble Each Other (14a)**

Imitators (**μιμητής** mimitais) - mimic, follow

**1 Thessalonians 1:6-7** -



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**Hebrews 6:9-12 -**

**1 Corinthians 4:14-17 -**

## **III. God's People Willingly Suffer for the Gospel (14b-16)**

Suffering (**πάσχω** prascho) -

Description of those who are opposed to God's People  
Persecute

Forbid to share the Gospel

**Acts 4:13-21 -**

Face God's wrath

**Romans 2:5-6 -**

BACK to THANKFULNESS!!!

**2 Thessalonians 1:3-10 -**

# 1 Thessalonians 2:13-16

## Application Questions

1. How often are you thankful to God for other believers? What do you find to be thankful for? How do you show your thankfulness?
2. How do you respond to God's Word? Why do you handle God's Word the way you do? How could our church better assist you in your response to God's Word?
3. How have you imitated other believers in their faith in God? How do you know how other believers in church history have lived?
4. What do you do when faced with persecution? How can still be thankful in the midst of persecution?

## **Preparation Questions**

### **1 Thessalonians 2:17-20**

- 1.** Who is Paul talking to here? What were the circumstances behind what Paul says in this passage? How did Paul feel about it according to verse 17?
- 2.** What did Paul long for according to verse 17? According to verse 18, what happened when Paul wanted to see them?
- 3.** How had Satan hindered them? How does verse 19 function in this passage?
- 4.** What is the answer to the question Paul poses in verse 19? How are the Thessalonians believers Paul's glory and joy?

## **Verse of the Week**

**1 Thessalonians 2:13** - For this reason we also thank God without ceasing, because when you received the word of God which you heard from us, you welcomed *it* not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which also effectively works in you who believe.

**Question 21:** Into what condition did the fall bring mankind?

**Answer:** The fall brought mankind into a condition of sin and misery.