

Sermon Discussion Questions for September 15, 2019

Transformed Week 2 – I Thessalonians 2:1-12

1. What key point stood out to you in the message?
 2. What potentially could have made Paul hesitant to share the gospel? (see vs. 1-2). What challenges do you have in sharing the good news of Jesus? How can you overcome these challenges?
 3. Are you genuine in your discussions about the gospel? How did Paul convey his genuineness in sharing the gospel? See verse 3 and 5.
 4. What was Paul's main point in verse 4 and repeated in verse 6? (he was not a people pleaser). Who are you trying to impress? Boss? Spouse? Co-workers? Parents? How does God assess our genuineness? (see verse 4). Do you find yourself seeking to please God or people?
 5. How did Paul, Silas and Timothy behave around the church at Thessalonica? To whom does Paul compare their behavior? (see verse 7 and 11). In addition to sharing the gospel, Paul shared something else. What? (see verse 8). Why? Can the gospel be shared effectively without showing empathy and being sensitive to people's physical and emotional needs?
 6. Does what you say or how you act speak more clearly to someone? Are both words and actions required to be in alignment for the gospel to be effective? Are you living out the gospel in your day to day living?
- Remember to pray for each other's unique challenges and commit to pray throughout the week for one another.
 - Love others as Christ loves you.
 - Fill your mind and heart with the gospel of Christ Jesus.
 - Live out the gospel of Christ which calls for radical Love for God and Love for others.

