



# LIFE GROUPS

**THIS IS MY BIBLE  
PART 6- BLUEPRINTS  
1 & 2 THESSALONIANS  
LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

## **GETTING STARTED**

1. Describe a time in your life when you stood up for your faith/beliefs in the midst of opposition.
2. What does it mean to be an example to others in your faith?

## **DIGGING DEEPER**

1. In 1 Thessalonians chapter 1, why is Paul so proud of the believers in Thessalonica (see 1:5-10)?
2. In what ways were the believers their examples to others?
3. How does Paul describe his approach in 1 Thessalonians chapter 2 to sharing the Gospel? How can we learn from this?
4. According to 1 Thessalonians 3:1-5, why did Paul send Timothy to Thessalonica?
5. What news did Timothy bring back to Paul (see 3:6-8)?
6. Discuss Paul's instruction to the believers in 4:1-8.
7. The believers in Thessalonica had concerns about the afterlife. How does Paul describe what happens when a Christian dies (see 4:13-18)?
8. How does Paul describe the return of Jesus in 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11?

In 2 Thessalonians wild rumors were spreading that the Day of the Lord had already come. So Paul penned a second letter to shore up their faith and set them straight. The believers were being persecuted and some had quit their jobs anticipating the end. Paul encourages them to persevere and not lose hope.

9. Based on the following verses, what reassurances do we have in the midst of our storms?

2 Thessalonians 1:6-7

2 Thessalonians 2:13-14

2 Thessalonians 3:3

2 Thessalonians 3:16

10. What do you think Paul means by the “man of lawlessness” (see 2:1-12)? How can we recognize similar influences today?

11. Why do you think Paul emphasizes the importance of work in chapter 3?

### **APPLYING THE MESSAGE**

1. What are your thoughts on the rapture of the church?
2. Do conversations about the rapture and the return of Jesus cause you stress or bring you peace?