

We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers. Because our gospel came to you not simply with words but with power, with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction. You know how we lived among you for your sake. We were not looking for praise from

people, not from you or anyone else, even though as apostles of Christ we could have asserted our authority. Instead, we were like young children among you, encouraging, comforting and urging you to live lives worthy of God, who calls you into his kingdom

and strengthen that you will and holy in of our God when our comes with ones. It is God's will that you should be sanctified; that you should avoid sexual immorality. And to make it your ambition to lead a quiet life; you should mind your own business and your hands, you, Brothers, do not want

ry. May he your hearts so be blameless the presence and Father Lord Jesus all his holy ones. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him. According to the Lord's word, we tell you that we who are still

alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that, we who are still alive and are left will

be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words. Pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. Do not quench the Spirit. For God did not appoint us

Objectives: Catch up from the break. We want to get a good overview of 1 Thess.

Prayer for one another in pairs

Vision:

Our vision is to make disciples (Read Matthew 28:16-20).

- What are things that could thwart this vision this semester?
- What are things that could help this become reality?
- How does your schedule reflect this?
- Pray

Explore & Apply together:

Intro to 1 Thessalonians

- Read 1 Thessalonians out loud
- Why did Paul write this letter?
- What are key themes and repeated phrases?
- What is the key verse?
- What are you most excited about?
- What are areas that you think will convict you?

Homework: Homework #1 (If not already finished)