



“Let’s Rise Reassured/Revitalized”  
I Thessalonians 1:1-10  
August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Questions for Application and Fellowship

## MY STORY

1. Have you ever struggled with uncertainty or discouragement in your walk with Christ? When have you been in need of reassurance as a follower of Christ? How did that reassurance come?

## QUICK REVIEW

The Thessalonian family of believers was a model church. Paul pointed to them as exemplary for all the churches of Macedonia. He boasted about this church all over the place. Yet even Christians seeing genuine growth, maturity and vitality in their walk with Christ struggle with doubt. Questions can rise in the hearts even of those advancing in the faith. Reassurance and revitalization come as we reflect upon the evidences of His grace in our lives and churches.

## Read I Thessalonians 1:1-10

### Reassurance comes as we remember...

1. The way the word was \_\_\_\_\_ (1:4-5)
2. The way the word was \_\_\_\_\_ (1:6-7)
3. The way the word went \_\_\_\_\_ (1:8-10)

Was any point in this weekend’s message or portion of Scripture particularly challenging, encouraging or helpful for you?

Why did God want you to hear this message now?

## DIGGING DEEPER

1. “For we know, brothers loved by God, that He has chosen you...” Paul roots his encouragement to the Thessalonians in the evidence of God’s election. Read Ephesians 1:1-14. How can our hearts find security and joy in the doctrine of predestination?
2. The Thessalonians could find encouragement by thinking back to the nature of the gospel ministry God sent to them. How has God brought the truth of the Gospel into your life, bring you to faith and sustaining you in faith? Who are the people in your cloud of witnesses? How does this encourage you?
3. The Thessalonians were empowered by God to joyfully endure suffering as Christians. Read Romans 5:1-4. What trials, challenges, setbacks and painful circumstances have you endured through? How have those things been used by God’s hand to shape Christlikeness in you?
4. The gospel reverberated from the Thessalonian church. What do you learn about the gospel of Christ from this passage? How has God used you to influence others toward faith in Christ? How do these things remind you that God is at work in your life?