

Week 4

Text: 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8, 1 Peter 1:13-19, 1 Corinthians 6:9-11, Psalm 139:1-3 **Topic:** Living to please God.

Big Ideas of the Text: Paul reminds the Thessalonians that faith is a journey that is walked out that leads to a life that pleases God.

Application Point: A lot of what God asks of us never seems easy, but the more we stay committed, the more obedient we become to His ways and plans, the more benefits we see from following Christ. Change is hard, changing the way we live life is even harder, but faith acknowledges that God knows best what is good for us.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. What is one thing that stood out to you from this week's message?
- 2. Read 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8 What does walking in faith and living a life that pleases God look like? Why is it important for followers of Christ to continue walking out their faith day by day?
- 3. Read 1 Peter 1:13-19 Why is it important to know what God says and then do what God asks? What is God's will for your life?
- 4. Why do you think Paul chose sexual purity as the first subject he wanted to remind them of that they talked about while they were together?
- 5. What does abstinence look like in the lives of believers? Why are God and the world's view of sexuality so different?
- 6. Read 1 Corinthians 6:9-11 Sexual intimacy is a gift, it has boundaries, but there is forgiveness for those who have fallen short in this area?
- 7. Read Psalm 139:1-3 Knowing God knows everything about you and loves you just the same, what are changes, in all areas of life, that you need to make to please Him?
- 8. How can we pray for you?