**1 Thessalonians Lesson 1 August 12, 2020**

**1. What does Acts 17:1-4 reveal about how the church in Thessalonica was founded?**

**2. What was the reaction of the Jews In Thessalonica to Paul's ministry? (Acts 17:5-10)**

**1 Thessalonians 1 (KJV)**

**1**Paul, and Silvanus, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians which is in God the Father and in the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**Thanksgiving for the Thessalonians’ Faith**

**2**We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers; **3**Remembering without ceasing your work of faith, and labor of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God and our Father; **4**Knowing, brethren beloved, your election of God.

**5**For our gospel came not unto you in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Ghost, and in much assurance; as ye know what manner of men we were among you for your sake. **6**And ye became followers of us, and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, with joy of the Holy Ghost. **7**So that ye were ensamples to all that believe in Macedonia and Achaia. **8**For from you sounded out the word of the Lord not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place your faith to God-ward is spread abroad; so that we need not to speak anything.

**9**For they themselves shew of us what manner of entering in we had unto you, and how ye turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God; **10**And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, even Jesus, which delivered us from the wrath to come.

**QUESTIONS**

**3. What blessing did Paul greet the Thessalonians with? Define what each of these means.**

**4. In what ways are you experiencing these blessings in your life as we endure the pandemic, crisis of race, social gathering and loss?** (Personal thought)

**5. What did Paul and his companions always do when they prayed for the Thessalonians?**

**6. Explain your understanding of the “Gospel”.**

**7. In what four ways did Paul say the gospel came to the church of Thessalonica?**

**8. Who shared the Gospel with you? What motivates you to share the Gospel today?** (Personal thought)

**9. After receiving the Gospel Message, who did the Thessalonians follow?**

**What one fact do you know about each of these men?** (Personal thought)

**10. How were they examples for other believers?**

**11. What did the Thessalonian church give up when they accepted the Gospel?**

**12. By Accepting the Gospel, what did you give up? What did you gain?** (Personal thought)

**13. What did Jesus deliver you from in the future?**