



WEEK 1 | OUR IDENTITY | 1 THESSALONIANS 1:1-10

Inspection: What Does It Say?

What three things did Paul remember about the church of the Thessalonians? Verse 3

What four ways did the Gospel come to the Thessalonians in verse 5.

What did the Holy Spirit provide the Thessalonians in their severe suffering? Verse 6

From what had the Thessalonians turned away in verse 9.

For what were the Thessalonians waiting in verse 10?

Observation: What Does It Mean?

What is meant by the word “in” as used in verse 1?

How does work, labor, and endurance define the life of the faithful?

In what way does faith speak for itself? Verse 8

How do verses 9 and 10 define what true repentance looks like?

What two resurrections are highlighted in verse 10? Why is this significant?

Life Application: What Does It Mean For Me?

Send a note of gratitude to someone who has modeled Jesus to you.

Make a list of idols in your life and turn away from serving them.

Consider how others in your life may be imitating you—in good or bad ways.

Memorize 1 Thessalonians 1:3

Invite your “Silas and Timothy” out for lunch and discuss how God is using your example.

Meditation: What Does God Say?

Matthew 5:16

1 Timothy 4:12

Proverbs 22:6

1 Corinthians 15:33

Romans 12:2

James 4:17

Colossians 3:16

Titus 2:7

Supplication: What Can We Meditate?

Whiter Than Snow

Lord Jesus, I long to be perfectly whole,
I want Thee forever to live in my soul;
Break down every idol, cast out every foe;
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Lord Jesus, let nothing unholy remain,
Apply Thine own blood and extract every stain;
To get this blest cleansing I all things forego;
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Lord Jesus, look down from Thy throne in the skies,
And help me to make a complete sacrifice;
I give up myself and whatever I know;
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Lord Jesus, for this I most humbly entreat;
I wait, blessed Lord, at Thy crucified feet;
By faith, for my cleansing I see Thy blood flow;
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Lord Jesus, Thou seest I patiently wait;
Come now, and within me a new heart create;
To those who have sought Thee Thou never saidst, No;
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Whiter than snow; yes, whiter than snow;
Now wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.

James Nickolson (1828 – 1876)