

Faith, Hope, and Love – 1 Thessalonians 2:1-12

4/26/26

Bible References:

1 Thessalonians 2:1-12

1. Paul's enemies were spreading rumors to discredit his name and ministry

2. Paul's Defense.....

a. Our boldness for Jesus makes no sense if we weren't sent from God.

b. You know how we acted when we were with you.

3. Bold Proclamation + Christlike Lifestyle = Effective Witness

Application:

What part of effective witness needs to grow in your life?

1. Bold proclamation?
2. Christlike Lifestyle?

Reflection Questions:

1. What makes telling others about your faith difficult for you?
2. How were Paul's opponents trying to discredit his ministry? Why was that a problem for the church in Thessalonica?
3. How did Paul defend himself?
4. How did Paul's mistreatment in Philippi give more credibility to his gospel proclamation in Thessalonica?
5. How did Paul use his lifestyle to give more credibility to his message?
6. What role does evangelism play in your life?
7. Where do you struggle more: with telling others about your faith or living in a way that shows others the power the gospel has had in your life?
8. What might you do to grow in your boldness?
9. What might you do to grow in your Christlike Lifestyle?