

Harvest Bible Chapel Small Group Questions
March 29, 2009
Solid Foundations for a Growing Church 3

1 Thessalonians 2:13-16
Background Scripture: Acts 17:1-10

1. Humanly speaking, who was most responsible for delivering the Word of God to you when you initially received it? When was the last time you thanked God for them? Have you communicated your thanks to them? If not, make contact with them this week.
2. How do you feel about the fact that 200 million people have no portion of God's Word in their native language?
3. Do you ever wonder if the Bible is simply the words of men? What evidences point to the fact that Bible really is the Word of God?
4. Why does Paul thank God for something the Thessalonians appeared to do? (They accepted the Word of God)
5. What does 1Cor 2:13-14 teach us about why some do not accept the Word of God?
6. What is the difference between "receiving" the Word of God and "accepting" it? How is it possible to "receive" it without "accepting" it?
7. How does God's "go to work" in believers. What "work" is God currently doing in you?
8. What does Psalm 19:10 compare the Word of God to?
9. What should be our attitude toward the words of God according to Jeremiah 15:16?
10. What is the best measurement of our acceptance of the word of God? (James 1:22)
11. Have you ever hit a road block in your relationship to God because you refused to accept some portion of God's Word? What did He say to you? Why was it difficult to obey?
12. How is God Word working in you? What specific things is it working on in you? (Phil. 2:13, Rom. 12:14, Proverbs 3:25-26)
13. Discuss an area of your life where you need God's Word to give you desire and power to obey? (Psalm 40:8, Hebrews 4:12)
14. To what degree is "speaking" necessary in sharing the Word of God? Is it enough to just live a good live in front of people?
15. What is your reaction to the severe statement about the "wrath of God" in v. 16? How does the promise of the "wrath of God" actually encourage believers who have suffered affliction?