

48. The Thessalonian church has an unconditional commitment to what?
49. Are you saved?
50. Are you surrendered to being like Him regardless of the cost?
51. Are you sounding out the word of God by your life and your words?
52. Are you living in light of the return of the Lord Jesus?
53. Are you standing firm in your commitment to sound doctrine and love?
54. Are you submissive to the Word of God so that you are willing to change your views and your life to conform to it?

Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; 1 Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- How can I accomplish this change?
- What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

**Preparation for Next Week:**

1. Read the book of 2 Thessalonians this week and put together a general outline of the book as you read.
2. What are some questions that come to your mind as you are reading and outlining the book of 2 Thessalonians. Write them down and see which ones are answered in next weeks sermon.

(A cassette tape of this sermon is available. Order forms are located in the foyer of the church in the middle entrance)

**HERE'S AN EXAMPLE**  
**I Thessalonians (Series#14)**

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon on "I Thessalonians". All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. Fill in the blanks: "It has been said that much of the time \_\_\_\_\_ is better \_\_\_\_\_ than \_\_\_\_\_."
2. What are we taught in the Old Testament?
3. What is "the church"?
4. Instead of telling about church size, programs, services, and music, this letter tells us what about the church?
5. What is the issue when God evaluates His church?
6. Where was Paul when he wrote I Thessalonians?
7. Where do we go in the Bible to learn about the beginning of this church in Thessalonica?
8. How long were Paul and Silas in Thessalonica?
9. What was the first reason given, as to why Paul wrote I Thessalonians?
10. What was the second reason given, as to why Paul wrote I Thessalonians?
11. What was the third reason given, as to why Paul wrote I Thessalonians?
12. What was the fourth reason given, as to why Paul wrote I Thessalonians?
13. What is the "rapture"?
14. How does Paul describe Christians who have died?
15. What happens to a Christian when he/she dies?

16. What is the blessed hope of every Christian?
17. What does Paul describe in chapter 5:1-4?
18. What was the fifth reason given, as to why Paul wrote I Thessalonians?
19. What was the first quality seen in this church?
20. What phrase does Paul use repeatedly (132 times) to describe a Christian?
21. On what basis are we blessed with all spiritual blessings?
22. What is the result of being “in Christ?”
23. What 3 words make up the triad of Christian virtues?
24. What are three things that give proof of one’s salvation?
25. What was the second quality seen in this church?
26. What were they surrendered to?
27. What does the word “followers” mean (as it relates to the Greek language)?
28. Complete this verse: I John 2:6 says, “He that says he abides in Christ ought to...
29. If there is disharmony, disunity, discord in a group of believers, what does that indicate?
30. What was the third quality seen in this church?
31. Why is it natural for a church that is surrendered to Christ, to suffer?
32. When we stand for truth what will be the reaction of those who’ve adopted the world’s value system?
33. Why were the believers in Thessalonica persecuted?
34. What was the fourth quality of this church?
35. What were the two elements of their witness?
  - a.
  - b.
36. What was the reputation of the Thessalonica believers?
37. What is the best platform from which to speak about Christ?
38. What were these Christians an echo of?
39. What was the fifth quality seen in this church?
40. How can you tell an ideal or healthy church?
41. What is the result of looking for the return of Jesus Christ?
42. What was the sixth quality seen in this church?
43. What two things were the believers in this church standing firm in?
44. What two things make a church great?
45. What was the seventh quality seen in this church?
46. In contrast to the church at Corinth, why could Paul give so many unqualified/defended commands to the Thessalonians?
47. Fill in the blanks:
  - a. Rejoice \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Pray \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. In everything give \_\_\_\_\_
  - d. Do not \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_
  - e. Do not despise \_\_\_\_\_
  - f. Examine \_\_\_\_\_
  - g. Hold fast to that \_\_\_\_\_
  - h. Abstain from \_\_\_\_\_