

GROUPS DISCUSSION GUIDE

Get Into The Word



Week of Sunday November 9, 2025

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**Living out our God-given calling as
we follow Jesus and make
disciples every day.**

Introduction

As we celebrate how the Lord has worked at Long Hollow through our Pastor, it is important to reflect on all the things that we have learned from God's Word. Paul reminds the Church in Thessalonica of the importance of faithful leaders and their impact. How have the influences of Pastor Robby's faithful teaching of the Word and our time reading and applying Scripture affected our relationship with Jesus and helped us grow as faithful disciple makers in our home, church, and community?

Disciple Measure

Force for Good: How does someone's obedience to Christ affect those around them?

Notes:

Discussion Questions

Pastor Robby’s 10-Year Anniversary

HIGHLIGHT

Have someone read aloud...

1 Thessalonians 5:12-13

Discussion Questions

Discuss the following questions...

Opening Question: What's something you've learned through another faithful follower of Christ?

1. How have you seen the Lord work through leaders in the church to help you and others grow in faith?
2. How can we, as believers, show honor and respect to those in authority over us in the church or workplace?

If your group would like to thank Pastor Robby and Kandi for their faithfulness and obedience to the Lord, compile your messages and send them to groups@longhollow.com.

Notes:

Discuss the following questions...

1. What are some of the most impactful things you have learned lately and how can you implement them in your life to help you grow closer with others?
2. How does other people leadership affect your own leadership?
3. How can you intentionally disciple those around you to develop them into leaders?

Close by praying by praying over Pastor Robby, Kandi, and their family. Thank God for using Pastor Robby in such a powerful way and ask the Lord to continue to guide and protect him.

Please submit all letters for Pastor Robby via email to groups@longhollow.com by Wednesday, November 19.

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Questions for Families

Here are some questions you can discuss with the whole family.

1 Thessalonians 5:12-13

How can you show someone you love and respect them?

For younger children, guide them to simple answers like “smile” or “listening to them” For older children and teens, discuss actions like protecting their reputation in conversation, not complaining, or honoring their leadership.

What makes it hard to listen to advice that you don’t like from trusted family or leaders?

For younger children, focus on the trust relationship: “We listen because they love us.” For older children and teens, discuss the humility required to receive correction and how respectful listening contributes to a peaceful relationships.

How can you make the leaders (parents, teachers, Bible study leaders etc.) in your life feel loved this week?

For ages younger children, focus on simple acts of service like making a drawing or giving a card. For older children and teens, discuss thoughtful actions like sending an email of encouragement, saying thank you.

NT 260

WEEK: 46

- Revelation 16
- Revelation 17
- Revelation 18
- Revelation 19
- Revelation 20

MEMORY VERSE: Matthew 7:15-16

Resources

Additional Resources

The Long Hollow Story



If you would like to watch the story of how the Lord brought Long Hollow to where it is today check [The Story of Long Hollow](#).
(90 minutes)

Resources to Watch

Bible Project Guide - The Book of Revelation



See a collection of videos and articles to guide you through the book of [Revelation](#).
(20 min)

Revelation Sermon Series - Pastor Robby Gallaty



Listen to the verse by verse sermon series through the book of [Revelation](#).

Life Group Resources

We have a variety of resources and are continually adding new ones. Some of our resources include group launch guides, on-demand training modules, and curriculum resources. To request a resource, reach out to us at groups@longhollow.com.

D-Group Resources

If you or someone you know would like to start a D-group, we have everything you need, including reading plans, journals, and a launch guide to walk you through the first four meetings.



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Commentary

Notes:

What's Going On?

The first three chapters of 1 Thessalonians are focused on encouraging the believers in their faith and persecution. Starting in Chapter 4, Paul pivots to giving very clear, practical instructions on Christian living, or what we call "sanctification." This includes instructions on how to treat each other, how to live with moral purity, and how to work honestly.

Chapter 5 begins with a powerful discussion of the timing of Christ's return (the Day of the Lord), urging them to stay spiritually sober and watchful. Then, right after this weighty theological teaching, Paul launches directly into a series of short, straightforward commands in verses 12 through 22. This section acts as a spiritual checklist for healthy church life. By placing respect for the hard-working elders right at the start of this list of duties, Paul highlights that church order and appreciation for those who spiritually guide you are foundational to a peaceful, well-functioning Christian community. This respect is key to fulfilling the final command in the passage: "Live in peace with each other."

Biblical Timeline

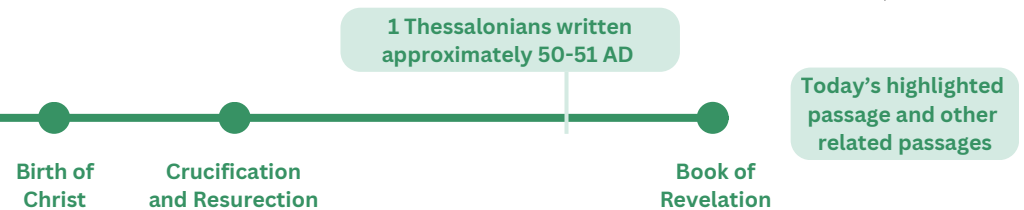


A Bit of Background

The letter of 1 Thessalonians was written by the Apostle Paul around 50-51 AD, making it one of the very first books of the New Testament. He was writing to a young church he had started in the major port city of Thessalonica, located in modern-day Greece. Paul's time there was short, only about three weeks, as recorded in the book of Acts, before intense opposition forced him and his companions to leave. The fledgling Christian community, made up mostly of Gentiles, was immediately facing tough times and persecution from their neighbors.

Paul was worried they might give up on their faith. He wrote this letter from Corinth after receiving a positive report from his co-worker, Timothy. Timothy confirmed that the church was strong in faith and love, despite the suffering. Paul is writing to a community under stress that needs concrete, practical instructions on how to live together while waiting for Christ to return. They were concerned about confusing ideas, especially about Jesus's Second Coming, and they needed guidance on daily behavior.

Notes:



Sermon Notes

(Get digital notes on your mobile device at notes.longhollow.com)

Living out our God-given calling as we follow Jesus and make disciples every day.

Spirit-Led Follower

A disciple who walks with Jesus daily, anchoring their lives to God's Word and obediently following the Holy Spirit where He leads.

Intentional Friend

A disciple who is always looking for ways to care for others and meet their needs. This is a practical way to be present in the lives of those around us.

Humble Guide

A disciple who is a humble guide takes every opportunity to help people take their next step closer to Jesus. This is someone who is constantly looking for opportunities to have Gospel conversations and speak truth into someone's life.

Force For Good

When a disciple lives out their God-given calling, they naturally become a force for good where they live, work, and play. This type of person is looking for opportunities to meet needs, heal brokenness, and bring tangible hope to the people in their life and in their community.



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