Suggested Discussion Questions for 9/17/2023 Message: Thriving with the Thessalonians, pt 4, (1 Thes. 2:13-20)

- 1. Share a way you have grown or been spiritually challenged over the summer.
- 2. Share something from our previous studies in 1 Thessalonians that has encouraged or stretched you?
- 3. What do you think is essential for a person to receive the Word of God as coming from God?
- 4. What do you see as the prevailing view of the Bible in people around you outside CCC?
- 5. How did Paul describe those who opposed the preaching of the Gospel (vs 14-16)? What is the message here to our generation?
- 6. What do you find as the greatest hinderances to staying on God's agenda?
- 7. How have you, do you or could you develop relationships that produce the same passion Paul had for the Thessalonians?
- 8. What insight does this passage give on the second coming of Jesus?
- 9. In your life right now, how is your gratitude for what Christ has done for you overflowing to surrender to His Lordship and motivating the investment of your life? Is there an adjustment you would like to make?
- 10. It's possible to read the Word but not fully receive it as God's Word to you. What are some things that keep it fresh and alive for you?
- 11. What would you like to discuss from this passage that hasn't been addressed?
- 12. Based specifically on this passage, how would you like the group to pray for you this week?