

Thriving with the Thessalonians, pt 4

1 Thessalonians 2:13-20

How do you view the Bible?

Proclaiming and receiving God's word (13)

God's word versus man's word

Welcoming it like a friend

Letting the word do its work

What is the work?

= intended purpose

Psalm 19:7-8

How about you?

Christlike endurance amid suffering (14-16)

Trusting God to thrive through suffering

It's not a matter of "if," but "intensity"

God's patience and our endurance

Staying of God's agenda (17-18)

The glue of spiritual connection

Lack of presence does not necessitate lack of heart

How was he hindered?

We need vigilance to stay on God's agenda!

Rejoicing in spiritual fruit (19-20)

Eternal joy is linked to those God granted us to spiritually influence in this life.

Boasting

The return of Christ perspective

Take it home