

Message: "An Introduction"

May 3, 2026

Series: 1 Thessalonians

Today's Scriptures: Acts 17:1-10

- Major themes of this letter:
 - To _____ and _____ the Thessalonian believers
 - To correct misunderstandings about _____ and the _____
 - A proper understanding of these issues will bring _____ to the _____
 - It will deliver _____ when you are discouraged and heartbroken
 - To clarify _____ for your life
- Today, Thessaloniki is the _____ city in Greece
 - It stands on top of the _____
- It was founded by _____ in the 4th century BC following the death of _____
- Strabo the geographer stated that the city of Thessalonica "is the metropolis" (i.e. "_____") of Macedonia meaning it was the _____.
- In Paul's day, the population of the city was about _____
- Thessalonica was a "_____" meaning they could govern themselves according to their ancestral customs and were exempt from paying tribute to Rome.
- Paul stops here for _____ during his _____
 - Paul traveled about _____ from Philippi to Thessalonica
- Paul couldn't go back Thessalonica so _____

WHAT ARE THE IMPLICATIONS?

- The true gospel came into _____
- Response to the gospel comes not in an _____ with the culture, but in _____ to it
- If I only add the God of the Bible to all the other gods, I _____