

THE Story

Lesson 25 Chapter 29 Paul's Mission (Pt 2) p.414-419

1. What are some of your favorite memories of family reunions?
2. On the middle of page 414, we read about Paul's arrival in the city of Thessalonica, a short distance from Philippi. How would you describe Paul's strategy in this new city?
3. Why would the unbelieving Jews incite a riot?

What's implied about a man named Jason?

What falsehood did they spread and what unintentional compliment did they give the disciples on the top of page 415?

4. The note on page 415 highlights some of the challenges Paul faced in Athens and how he was then led to Corinth.

Why and how would a couple named Aquila and Priscilla have encouraged Paul?

Why and how would the arrival of Silas and Timothy have encouraged Paul?

Why and how would the vision and words of his Lord on the top of page 416 have encouraged Paul?

5. While Paul was in Corinth, he wrote his first letter to the church that he had started in Thessalonica....portions of that letter we know as I Thessalonians are provided for us from the bottom of page 416 to the middle of page 419. Why was Paul thankful for the Thessalonians?

How did they first become imitators and then models of the faith? (top of p. 417)

What does this tell you about their growth in Christ and how do they challenge us?

6. How did Paul summarize his ministry to them? (Bottom half of p. 417)

From this passage, what does it mean to "share the Gospel"?

7. From the bottom of page 417 to the bottom of page 418, note particularly the words and phrases which show Paul's concern for the Thessalonians...

What was Paul afraid might happen?

To think about....what pressures and circumstances have sometimes threatened to undermine your faith?

8. What impresses and encourages and challenges you about Paul's prayer for the Thessalonians on the bottom of page 418?

9. The return of Jesus Christ as already been mentioned several times. In what different ways should the truth of His coming be an encouragement to us?

10. Paul concludes his letter (p.419) with some practical effects that the Lord's return should have on our attitudes and behavior. Which one challenges you the most?

11. As you review this portion of God's inspired Word, what truths do you learn about our humanity....sins to avoid & examples to follow

about our God... His promises to claim & His character to embrace