NOT AS THE WORD OF MEN, BUT THE WORD OF GOD

1 Thessalonians 2:1-16

Key Verse: 2:13

1. What had been Paul’s condition and how could he preach the gospel to them (1-2; Ac 16:22-25)? 2. How did Paul defend his ministry from false accusations (3-6)? What can gospel workers learn here?

2. What metaphor did Paul use to describe his life while he was with them? How does he further elaborate on this image (7-9)? What different metaphor did Paul employ? What details did he then use to explain and complete this picture (10-12)?

3. What did Paul continually thank God for? How did they receive the word of God and how does God’s word work? (13) In what respect did they imitate God’s churches in Judea (14)? How does Paul describe the enemies of the gospel (15-16)?