

## **The Word: Not of Men but of God**

1 Thessalonians 2:13-16 [Page 1838]

### **Prayer Concerns:**

#### **The Word of God. [13]**

*As the Word of God, the Bible is...*

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*“Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth.” [John 17:17]*

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*“Your word, O LORD, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens.” [Psalm 119:89]*

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*“All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness...” [2 Timothy 3:16 ESV]*

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*“Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.” [Psalm 119:105]*

**“Here I stand. I can do no other.” [14]**

**The hope of salvation. [14-16]**

## Personal Study/Growth Group Discussion Questions

### The Bible Recap:

1. How did God speak to you this past week from Job 35-42?

### Read 1 Thessalonians 2:13-17

1. When we remember that the Bible is the Word of God, how should that shape our attitude and approach to sermons, Growth Group discussions, and private Bible-reading?
2. What do you think Paul means when he says the Word of God is at work in those who believe? What is the Word at work doing?
3. Read Psalm 19:7-10. What does God promise those who live according to His Word?

4. Christians can believe that God's blessing has departed from them if they are suffering some form of persecution. How do verses 14-16 counter this kind of thinking?

5. Why was Paul pleased about the Thessalonians' attitude toward the nature of the gospel?

6. How can we reconcile Paul's harsh words toward nonbelieving Jews with his claim to have the loving attitudes of a mother and a father [see 2:6-12]?

### Taking it Home:

1. Is God's Word at work in your life? How is God transforming you through Bible reading and prayer?