## A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study Date: January 7, 2024 1 Thessalonians 2:1-16

- 1. Was sharing the Gospel easy for Paul and his companions, according to 2:1-2 (See also Acts 17:1-8? Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_ Explain.\_\_\_\_\_
- 2. How, then, were Paul and his companions (According to 2:2) able to share the gospel with them?
- 3. What do we do if sharing the gospel brings difficult circumstances?
- 4. What does this say, in general, about how we should address difficulty in doing what God has called us to do?\_\_\_\_\_

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- 5. Where did their appeal come from, according to 2:3-7?
  - a. Not from error or impure motives.
  - b. Not in order to trick people.
  - c. Approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel.
  - d. Not to please people but God, who tests our hearts.
  - e. Not with flattery nor did they put on a mask to cover up greed.
  - f. Not by asserting their own authority
  - g. Like children among them.
- 6. What are our motives for sharing the gospel? \_\_\_\_\_
- 7. Where does our authority come from?\_\_\_\_\_
- 8. How did Paul and his companions view the Thessalonians, according to 2:7-12?
  - a. Just as a nursing mother cares for her children.
  - b. They loved them.
  - c. They were delighted to share not only the gospel, but also their lives.
  - d. They worked night and day in order to not be a burden to them.
  - e. They encouraged, comforted, and urged them to live lives worthy of God.
- 9. How, according to 2:13-14, did the Thessalonians receive the word of God?
- 10. Why did the Jews, according to 2:14-16, persecute the church?
- 11. Do you think there is opposition today to the sharing of the gospel with those who are lost?

12. How will you respond?