

LIFE GROUPS

SERMON NOTES



God's Heart for His Church

2 Thessalonians 1:3-4 March 13, 2022 Pastor Koby Orr

START TALKING | asking questions to get you thinking.

1. How do you respond when circumstances in your life are not as you had anticipated?
2. To whom do you turn for guidance and encouragement when you face trials and tribulations?

START SHARING | asking questions that engage with the message.

Please read 2 Thessalonians 1:3-4

3. In 2 Thessalonians 1:3, God's heart for you is that you would grow your faith. What are some of the questions Pastor Koby wants us to ask ourselves, and what are some of the examples he gives for growing your faith?
4. According to Pastor Koby and verse 3, God's heart for you is that you would grow in love for others. Compare and contrast Jesus' love and actions for us and how we are to love and our actions in response to that love.
5. Please read 2 Thessalonians 1:4. God's heart for us is that we would endure to the end, in other words, to be steadfast.
 - a. What are some synonyms for steadfast?
 - b. What are some antonyms for steadfast?
 - c. How do these synonyms and antonyms affect your thoughts about being steadfast and persevering to the end?
6. Regarding the story of Dimitri, if it were you that had been imprisoned for your beliefs, how would you have fared?

START LIVING | asking questions that apply God's Word to daily life.

7. Share areas where your faith grew and you have been steadfast.
8. In what areas is your growing faith coming up short, and what steps can you take to improve those areas?

Note: For further reading about persevering and being steadfast in your faith read [The Insanity of God](#) by Nik Ripken