

# *Bible Study Guide for I Thessalonians 1:1-10*

## **Day 1 – Acts 17:1-15**

1. To better understand Paul's connection and concern for the church at Thessalonica, read **Acts 17:1-15**. Examine this account carefully and answer the questions below.
  - a. What does **Acts 17:2 & 3** tell you about Paul and his ministry? (Paul and Silas had just come from Philippi where they had been thrown into prison for their work and testimony for the gospel.)
  
  - b. The last of **17:2** states that Paul "*reasoned with them from the Scriptures.*" What *Scriptures* would have been used in the synagogue?
  
  - c. What was the strong message that Paul taught? **17:3**
  
  - d. From **17:4** who responded positively to Paul's message?
  
2. What was the heart response of the rest of the Jewish community as seen in **17:5**?
  
3. Read **Acts 17:5-15** and briefly give an account of the Jews actions both in Thessalonica and in Berea.
  
4. Paul and Silas had stirred up the city of Thessalonica. Review **17:2** to see how many times Paul preached in the city?
  
5. Have you experienced ridicule when you stood for the truth of the gospel? What does this account teach you about boldness and tenacity when we are ridiculed?