

A Life That Pleases God
Hope for Today, Faith for Tomorrow
March 9, 2025

Notes

Questions for Personal Reflection and Group Discussion

1. Read 1 Thessalonians 4:1-2.

Who does our American culture tell us to live to please?

As those who have chosen to follow Jesus, who does Paul tell us to live to please? And by whose authority does Paul give that mandate?

Who are you primarily living to please?

What does Paul mean by the phrase, “do so even more”? What does this imply about our journey as a Christ-follower?

2. Read 1 Thessalonians 4:3-8 and 1 Corinthians 6:18-20.

What is God’s will for your life and what does that mean?

Why do you think Paul singles out sexual sin as the sin to avoid?

What does Paul say will result from our obedience in this area?

3. Read Galatians 6:7-8.

Think about the daily choices you make. What kind of seeds are you sowing? What kind of fruit is your life producing as a result?

Though God forgives our sin, we still live with the consequences of it. How have you seen that truth played out in your life? And how have you seen God’s redemption in the process?

4. Read 1 Thessalonians 4:9-10.

How are you currently showing love for the followers of Jesus that are in your life?

Is there something more God might be calling you to do to show love to others? Or someone who needs an extra bit of love or encouragement from you? What or who is your MORE this week?

5. Read 1 Thessalonians 4:11-12.

What three practical instructions does Paul give in these verses?

What benefit does he say will come from following those instructions?

Which of those instructions do you most need to work on following, and what will you do about it?