



Because many groups are not meeting as its half term just a short study this week with a few questions.

The idea at the heart of this letter is that Paul is wanting the Thessalonians to stand firm (2v15) because one day Jesus will return. When we know what the future holds so we know what really matters now.

Because God is just so his plan of justice will finally be seen as his king returns and all injustice and sin is dealt with forever. As well as reminding his people of this truth, he wants to comfort his people who are facing injustice now and is transforming us into the original glory that was ours as we are made in God's image. This is at the heart of Paul's prayer in the last couple of verses.

A few questions to start your group off

In all areas of life, what ways do we see our future reality shaping the things we focus on now? What does it mean for Paul to tell the Thessalonians to stand firm (2v15)? Why might they not stand firm?

How does Paul describe the Thessalonians? How do you think he might describe us?

Why is the return of Jesus such good news in this chapter? Do we think of it as such? Why or why not?

What is at the heart of Paul's prayer in the final couple of verses? Are they the kind of things you pray for other believers? Pray these things for each other now.