

Come, **LORD JESUS**

When the Going Gets Tough...

1 Thessalonians 4-5

BIG IDEA:

We Must Advance Even in the Midst of Adversity

Backstory/Context:

- ♦ **Acts 17:1-15** - Paul proclaims King Jesus amidst persecution
- ♦ **1 Thess. 1** - Thessalonians turn to God in spite of suffering
- ♦ **1 Thess. 2** - Paul shared not only the Gospel, but his life
- ♦ **1 Thess. 3** - Paul sends Timothy to find out about their faith

3 Ways Paul Challenges Us to Grow in Our Faith:

1. More _____ (4:1-8)

A. Avoid _____ (v.3)

B. Learn _____ (v.4)

2. More _____ (4:9-12)

A. _____ God's family (vv.9-10)

B. _____ to _____ outsiders (vv.11-12)

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3. More _____ (4:13-5:11)

A. _____ with _____ (4:13-18)

- ◆ Our _____ hinges on the fact that _____ is coming _____

B. _____ with _____ (5:1-11)

- ◆ The coming Day of the Lord:
 - It will come _____ (v.3)
 - Don't be _____ (vv. 4-8)
 - Don't _____
 - Remain _____
 - Live in the hope of _____ (vv. 8-11)