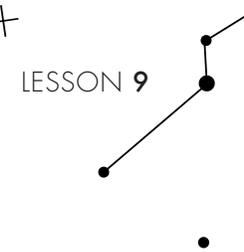


# THE LIFE

## EMBRACING THE LIFE OF A CHRIST-FOLLOWER

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LESSON 9



Dear Parents,

Hello! This week we studied a passage out of Paul's first letter to the church in Thessalonica. These young, persecuted Christians persevered through dangerous trials by imitating the lifestyle and faith of Paul, who was imitating the life of Jesus. By living their life in a Christ-like way, despite the danger of their environment, the Thessalonian Christians had a significant impact on their entire region.

**We looked at the following Scripture passages:**

- 1 Thessalonians 1:6-8
- 2 Thessalonians 1:3-4

Please take a few minutes this week to read these passages.

**NEXT STEPS . . .**

During the next week as you have time to talk with your teenager, remember that one way that will help him or her to understand and apply what he or she has learned is to explain it to someone else. Use the following questions to guide your conversation:

- I know how hard it can be to imitate Jesus all the time. Why do you think it's so hard to imitate Jesus throughout our lives— at home, at school, with our friends?
- If our whole family tried to imitate Jesus like the Thessalonians imitated Paul, do you think people would think we're weird? But would it be worth it anyway?
- What are some ways you can imitate Jesus at home? How about at school?

Thank you for all you do. If you have any questions about anything, please don't hesitate to call me.

