Series: UNSHAKEN
Passage: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-12
Sunday: October 20, 2024

1 Thessalonians 2:13-16 (ESV)

13 And we also thank God constantly for this, that when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men but as what it really is, the word of God, which is at work in you believers. **14** For you, brothers, became imitators of the churches of God in Christ Jesus that are in Judea. For you suffered the same things from your own countrymen as they did from the Jews, **15** who killed both the Lord Jesus and the prophets, and drove us out, and displease God and oppose all mankind **16** by hindering us from speaking to the Gentiles that they might be saved—so as always to fill up the measure of their sins. But wrath has come upon them at last!

1. Name two ways that the Word of God impacts you when you welcome it.

2. Why is Paul grateful for the Thessalonians hearing the message as the Word of God?

3. How did the Thessalonians respond to the Word of God? How do we respond similarly?

4. How can we be imitators of God?

5. In verse 14, Paul points out that their persecution is not unique. When going through trials, tribulation, judgement, and persecution, how can this advice bring comfort to your situation?

6. What evidence does Paul give that the persecuting Jews deserved the wrath to come?

7. How is this passage evidence of the Thessalonians UNSHAKEN faith?