

# Life in the Word

*Cornerstone Sermon-based Life Group Lesson*



Sermon Series: **Hope Now and Forever**

Sermon Title: **Keep Working Until Jesus Comes**

Scripture Passage: **2 Thessalonians 3:6-18**

## Getting Started

1) Read 2 Thessalonians 3:6-18 together. What has God shown you through the sermon this week?

2) Lets go back over what we have learned so far in in 2 Thessalonians. Since Paul wrote this letter “to confront challenges and inspire hope while waiting for Christ’s coming, what do chapters 1-3 encourage us to overcome?

3) In light of the idleness of some of the believers, Paul exhorts them to imitate him (vs. 7-9). What are the marks of a faithful disciple? Today, how can check yourself and see in what areas you might be becoming idle? Who do you imitate, and who looks to you for an example?

4) Paul shows that work is not to be something that is burdensome to us. As Americans, we are told to look forward to retirement, that work is just a means to an end, someday your time will truly belong to you. In this passage (6-18) Paul confronts this view. How does this command test your own goals? Is there something that God is calling you to continue or to start in your life?

5) In light of what is happening in the world this last week, let us continue to lift up our brothers and sisters in prayer, along with their governments and countries. Pray for one another that your lives will more deeply be living out the truths of this passage.