**A Journey through the Bible**

**I Thessalonians**

August 17th, 2016

Introduction

**I. Why was the Letter Written?**

Acts 17:1-9; I Thessalonians 2:1-2, 17-18, 3:1-3, 6-8

1. Out of an encouraged heart
2. That they might excel in their walk
4:1, 9-10
3. To inform them concerning the details of Christ's return 4:13-18

**II. Who Received the Letter?
1:1,** 6-7

This letter was written in the spring of 50 A.D. while Paul was still in Corinth.

**III. Some Verses from Each Chapter**

1. Chapter 1— there is gratitude
2. Chapter 2 — Paul becomes a little nostalgic
3. Chapter 3 — He simply tells the story of how he sent Timothy
4. Chapter 4 — Is an exhortation on purity, proper living and the coming Savior
5. Chapter 5 — The Apostle gives 3 exhortations
6. Be alert — verse 6
7. To encourage and build up — verse 11
8. To those who are in places of leadership — respect because they represent the Lord Jesus —verses 12-13