

FOR GOD SO LOVED GRIFFIN.

Part 3: Not On Our Watch

The message of Jesus is Good News, but sometimes as Christians this message can be our best kept secret. One of the reasons this can be the case is because when we think of 'evangelism' all sorts of images come to mind.

What if our picture of evangelism is wrong, and getting in the way of us sharing the good news?

Discussion Questions

- What's the most meaningful relationship you've built through a shared community (church, work, sports, etc.)?
- If you've ever had an opportunity to share your faith with someone how did you feel? Were you nervous? Did it feel intrusive? Were you excited about it?
- **Read 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8**
 - What stands out to you from the passage? What questions do you have about the passage?
 - Paul states in verse 4 that his purpose was to please God, not people. How can we balance the tension between staying true to the Gospel and building connections with others?
 - Verse 8 says, "We loved you so much that we shared with you not only God's Good News but our own lives, too." What does it look like to share both the message and our lives with others today?
- If you're a Jesus follower, was there someone who shared the gospel with you? Did they invite you to church, pray for you, or show up for you when you needed it?
- Paul spent time with people. He was caring, encouraging, and cheered them on. Have you thought of evangelism this way before?
- Who in your life might need someone to "show up" for them, as Paul did for the Thessalonians?

Weekly Challenge

Think about someone in your life who needs encouragement or connection. Reach out to them this week with a text, call, or an invitation to coffee. Let them know you're thinking of them and that they matter.