

Bring It Home

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Lesson Theme: “Just Checkin’ In”

Scripture: 1 Thessalonians 3

Memory Verse: 1 Thessalonians 3:12 *“May the Lord make you increase and abound in love to one another and to all, just as we do to you.”*

Teachers/Parents: We started our lesson by sharing a few warm and cute greetings to introduce the idea of “checking in” on people we care about. Who are some people that you regularly “check in” on and why do you do this? Can you think of any people that will often “check in” on you? How does that make you feel?

Discussion Questions:

- 1) **Read 1 Thessalonians 3:1.** We taught the kids an important Bible study tool on the very first word of this verse. Have your kids look up the verse and tell you what that word is (consider asking them if they remember the rule we taught them too). Point out that this verse does not make hardly any sense by itself. Because of the “therefore” you need to read what comes before it. **Read 1 Thessalonians 2:17-3:1.** Now what was it that they could no longer endure?
- 2) Read **Acts 17:5-10** to get some of the back story here. What were the Christians in Thessalonica being accused of in v. 7?
- 3) **Read 1 Thessalonians 3:2.** Who was sent to encourage and CHECK IN on the believers in Thessalonica?
- 4) In class we did a quick study on Timothy as there is a smattering of information about him scattered throughout the Bible. **Read 2 Timothy 3:15.** How was Timothy described in this verse?
- 5) In **1 Thessalonians 3:5**, the “tempter” is mentioned. Who does this refer to? How do you think he was tempting these new believers in Thessalonica? How does he tempt us today?
- 6) Read **1 Thessalonians 3:12.** Pray together as a family that you would abound together in love for one another and for those around you.
- 7) In class we introduced the kids to one of our RMC missionaries and prayed this same prayer over them. Pray this prayer over our RMC missionaries as well!