Text: 2 Thessalonians 1:1-12 Topics: Faith, Love, Perseverance, Prayer Series: 2 Thessalonians; Say it Again! Monroe Bible Church August 14, 2022 Pastor Dan Krahenbuhl

In Our Sufferings

I. Let Me Commend You (1-5)

We are the Lord's church here; our *love*, *faith*, and *perseverance* are a worthy testimony!

II. Let Me Assure You (6-10)

We are mindful that God is *just*, and His *judgment* will *rightly* fall on each one.

III. Let Me Pray for You (11-12)

We pray there will be a revealing of God's *power* and *glory* in our lives.

<u>Application Questions</u> - These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group for even more benefit.

1. Read Acts 17:1-13. How would you describe the people of the place where the Thessalonian church was located?

2. Paul commends the church in 2 Thessalonians 1:3-4 for three things. Surely God wants each of us, and our church, to grow in these ways. List the 3 things, and what are, or could be, some of your circumstances which provide opportunity to grow you in these ways?

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3. Read 1 Thessalonians 1:6-10. What will be the judgment when the Lord returns and who will suffer? What will happen to believers?

Knowing this should make a difference in your life. How?

4. Read 1 Thessalonians 1:11-12. What does Paul say he prays for the church (verse 11), and why (v. 12)?

Can you give examples of how the Lord is affecting your life like this prayer asks for?