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1 Thessalonians 2:1-12

Discipleship Modeled (1 Thessalonians 2:1-12)	
Scripture	Summary
<i>"we were emboldened by our God to speak the gospel of God to you in spite of great opposition." (2:2)</i>	Bold and courageous gospel proclamation
<i>"we speak [the gospel], not to please man, but to please God" (2:4)</i>	God-focused intention
<i>"we were gentle among you, like a nursing mother taking care of her own children" (2:7)</i>	Gentle care for people
<i>"We cared so much for you that we were pleased to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own lives, because you had become dear to us." (2:8)</i>	Intentional Relational Discipleship
<i>"we preached God's gospel to you [free of charge implied here]" (2:9)</i>	Generous & hard working
<i>"how devoutly, righteously, and blamelessly we conducted ourselves with you believers." (2:10)</i>	Upright conduct
<i>"like a father with his own children, we encouraged, comforted, and implored each one of you to walk worthy of God" (2:11-12)</i>	Exhorting care for people

Four observations about discipleship:

1. Leading with the gospel
2. Leading out of relationship
3. Leading as shepherds
4. Leading with vulnerability

Your Disclosure Window?

SIN	<i>Sin-Nature Vulnerabilities</i>	Rom 7:14–25
STRUGGLE	<i>Life Difficulties</i>	2 Cor 1:8–9; 1 Cor 2:3; 2 Cor 2:4
STRIVING	<i>Limitations to Achieving</i>	1 Thess 2:17–18; 2 Cor 1:23–2:2
STORY	<i>Overcoming Obstacles</i>	2 Cor 12:6–10; 2 Cor 6:3–10

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1 Thessalonians 1:3

1 Thessalonians 1:5-7

1 Thessalonians 1:8-10