



### **A Quiet Life**

In a world chasing fame and recognition, God calls us to a different way—to live quietly, work faithfully, and walk with integrity. As Paul writes in 1 Thessalonians 4:11-12, let's discover together how a simple, steady life can make a powerful impact for Jesus.

### **Ice Breaker**

Tell a celebrity story. Maybe someone you met, are connected to, or funny or interesting anecdote.

### **Discussion Questions**

1. Do you think we live in a celebrity obsessed culture? How so? Do you think this has crept into the Church of Jesus?
2. Read 1 Thessalonians 4:9-12. What jumps out to you in this passage? Why do we often find it hard *to make it our ambition to lead a quiet life*? Do you think our culture, both inside and outside the church, can put too much pressure on us to leave a legacy or do something really big that everyone knows about?
3. What does Paul mean when he says *you should mind your own business*? Have you seen times when friends have been hurt by gossip and left a church or the faith? How do we better help check ourselves to see if we are participating in gossip?
4. Why does the Scripture say *you work with your hands*? In what way is it important to be productive and use the spiritual gifts you have been given?
5. Why does Paul think that *your daily life may win the respect of outsiders*? Have you ever had time when someone at work, school, neighbourhood, noticed something different about you because you were a follower of Jesus?

### **Moving Forward**

Do you have any examples of people who were humble and made a great impact for Christ on other people's lives because of the way they quietly and faithfully served Jesus, willing to toil in obscurity? Anyone who impacted you and you hope can someday do for someone else?