



# HTC Small Group

## *Discussion Questions*

**Sermon Title:** Like Mom and Dad

**Sermon Date:** October 16, 2016

**Scripture:** 1 Thessalonians 2

**Speaker:** Pastor Rod Randall

1. Ask group members to describe their mom in one word and their dad in one word.
2. Read 1 Thess. 2:6b-12
3. Why is it important to be gentle in ministry like moms are gentle with their children?
4. When you think of words that describe the opposite of being gentle, what comes to mind?
5. Read James 3:17. Why is being gentle connected to “wisdom from above?”
6. Read Proverbs 15:1. Can you think of a time when you saw this proverb ring true? Explain.
7. How can you improve in being gentle?
8. Why is it meaningful for a dad to provide comfort?
9. Read Psalm 23:4. What are the ways in which God’s rod and staff comfort us?
10. Can you give an example of when your dad encouraged you?
11. In Deut. 1:38 Moses was told to encourage Joshua. Why was this so important? Who are the “Joshuas” in your life?
12. Read over Paul’s shipwreck story in Acts 27. Focus on verse 22 and 34. How did Paul’s urging make a difference? Are you likely to urge others on to do something? Why or why not?
13. What are you most likely to urge your spouse to do? Kids? Family? Friends?
14. What does Paul urge the Thessalonians to do in 2:12? What about 1 Peter 2:11? Do you urge others in the same way?
15. Which of the study’s four words (Gentle, Encouraging, Comforting, and Urging) do you really need to grow in? How can you do that this week?