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Theme: Transformation in God's Loved Ones

Passage: 2 Thessalonians 2:13–17

God's love should produce within us

- 1. Thanks (13–14)
  - a. God has chosen us for salvation.
  - b. God has called us to possess the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- 2. Perseverance (15)
  - a. Stand firm
  - b. ... by holding to Biblical teaching
- 3. Encouragement and Stability (16–17)
  - a. Emotionally, spiritual comfort
  - b. Physically, strengthening to accomplish His will through our actions and speech.

**Main Idea**: God loves us in Christ so that He can display Christ's glory through our entire being.

## **Application Questions:**

- What does this passage teach us about God's love?
- How should this passage change our prayers of thanks to God? Do you regularly express thanks to God for his transforming work in you? What can you do to express such thanks?
- How do we stand firm and hold fast to the teachings passed on to you? Does this mean that we should never allow beliefs to change? Why or why not?
- What does God's encouragement of our hearts look like in real life?

• What should our prayer requests look like according to vv. 16–17?

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