

Thankful for the Thessalonians!

1 Thessalonians 1:1–10

I. Introducing the Book vs 1

A. the wRiters

B. the Recipients

C. the Regards

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II. Thankful for the Thessalonians! vs 2-10

A. Three Enquiries that Explain their Thankfulness vs 2-3

1 – How did they give Thanks? vs 2-3a

2 – Why were they Thankful? vs 3b

* Three Exemplary Qualities of the Church

- Quality # 1 – Their Work of Faith

- Quality # 2 – Their Labor of Love

- Quality # 3 – Their Steadfastness of Hope

3 – How did those at Thessalonica get this way?

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- II. Thankful for the Thessalonians! vs 2-10
 - B. Two Elements that Ensured their Thankfulness vs 4-5
 - # 1 – God's Election of Them vs 4
 - # 2 – The Power of the Gospel vs 5
 - C. Two Evidences that Evoke their Thankfulness vs 6-10
 - # 1 – They became Imitators vs 6
 - # 2 – They became Examples vs 7-10

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In Conclusion

- # 1 – Mentor like Paul
- # 2 – Be Mentored like the Thessalonians
- # 3 – Let your light shine before Men
- # 4 – Excel still More