



**1 THESSALONIANS SERIES - 08**  
**“PAUL’S MODEL AND MOTIVES OF MINISTRY”**  
**Part 2**

*1 Thessalonians 2:1-12*

**INTRODUCTION & REVIEW**

**1. PRESSURES THAT REVEAL RIGHT MOTIVES - 1-2**

**2. PROBLEMS THAT UNDERMINE RIGHT MOTIVES - 3-6**

**PROCLAIMING** God’s truth without a heart for God and His glory – 3 -  
*“appeal” - paraklesis*

**Deviations** - *“error” - planes* - to wander

**Defilement** - *“impurity” – akatharsia* - “impure motives”

**Deception** - *“deceive” – dolos* - “way of deceit”

**PLEASING** men rather than God – 4

**PROMOTING** your own agenda and gain rather than submitting to the will of God - 5

The outward Response is flattery - 5a

*Job 17:5; Job 32:21-22; Psa. 12:1-3; Prov. 20:19; 26:28*

The inward Root is covetousness - 5b

*Isa. 56:11; Jer. 6:13; Matt. 23:14; Acts 20:33*

**Remember...**

Your responsibility, by God’s enabling, is to constantly apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Phil. 2:12-13; 1 Tim. 4:7-9; Jam 1:22-27).

As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?

How can I accomplish this change?

What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

**PARADING** your authority over others, rather than being a servant to all – 6 - *Gal. 5:26; Gal. 6:12-15; 1 Cor. 9:1-22*

### **3. PRIORITIES THAT REFLECT RIGHT MOTIVES - 7-9**

**CARE** for others – 7 - *Tim. 2:24-25*

**COMMITMENT** to others – 8 - *Rom. 9:1-3; Phil. 1:7-8*

**CONTENTMENT** before others – 9 - *Phil. 4:10-19*

### **4. PRACTICES THAT DEMONSTRATE RIGHT MOTIVES - 10**

A deep **RESPECT** for the things of God – “*holy*”

A high **REGARD** for what is right – “*righteous*”

A clear **REPUTATION** for never using people to achieve your goals – “*blameless*” - *Phil. 2:15*

### **5. PURPOSE THAT CONTROLS RIGHT MOTIVES - 11-12**

It is **CONNECTED** to a father’s heart – 11

- Exhortation
- Encouragement
- Establishment

It is **CONCERNED** about how a person lives before God - 12a - “*walk in a manner worthy of God*”

*Eph. 4:1-3; Col. 1:9-14; 4:12*

It is **CENTERED** in our personal relationship to the Lord

“*who calls you into his own kingdom and glory.*”

*Col. 1:13*