



Worship in the Word

Declaring the Whole Counsel of God Verse By Verse

1 Thessalonians 1:2-5

The Faith, Hope and Love of God's Elect



I. God's Elect Have a _____ (2-3a)

A. Paul's Practice of Prayer

B. A Faith that Works

Work (ἔργον ergon) -

Works ARE NOT a cause of righteousness

Romans 3:20-26 -

Works ARE a result of faith

Ephesians 2:8-10 -

Philippians 2:12-13 -

Romans 6:16-18 -

James 2:18-22 -

John 15:5-8 -

II. God's Elect Have a _____ (3b)

1 Thessalonians 4:9-10 -

Labor (κόπος kopos) -

1. We love the Lord

Hebrews 6:10 -

1 Corinthians 8:3 - But if anyone loves God, this one is known by Him.



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2. We love each other
Galatians 5:6 -

1 Peter 1:22 -

1 John 3:14 -

III. God's Elect Have an _____ (3c)

Titus 2:11-13 -

Romans 5:1-2 -

Ephesians 1:11-12 -

Patience (**ὑπομονή** hupomone) -

IV. God's Elect Receive the _____ (4-5)

A. You are chosen by God

Ephesians 1:4-6 -

B. You responded to the gospel

1 Thessalonians 3:5 -

2 Thessalonians 2:13-14 -

Acts 1:8 -

Titus 3:5-6 -

Hebrews 10:19-25 -

1 Thessalonians 1:2-5

Application Questions

1. How often do you pray thankfully for others? What do you include in your prayers for others?
2. How does your faith show itself? Do the deeds you do honor the Lord? How do you know whether your deeds are a result of your faith or an attempt at works righteousness?
3. How do you show your love for God? How do you show your love for others? How can the church assist you in your labor of love?
4. In what do you place your hope? How has your hope changed over time? How do all these things impact your certainty in the Gospel?

Preparation Questions

1 Thessalonians 1:6-10

- 1.** Of whom did the Thessalonians become followers? According to verse 6, what caused them to become followers of the Lord? What came along with that according to the end of the verse?
- 2.** What was the result of this according to verse 7? According to verse 8, how did they become examples? What information about them was also “sounded forth”?
- 3.** How did Paul know about all this according to the beginning of verse 9? What did they declare according to the beginning of verse 9?
- 4.** What does the “turning” in verse 9 indicate? What were they waiting for? How does this relate to their hope from verse 5?

Verse of the Week

1 Thessalonians 1:5 - For our gospel did not come to you in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Spirit and in much assurance, as you know what kind of men we were among you for your sake.

Question 17: Did our first parents continue in the glad obedience for which they were created?

Answer: No, but desiring to be like God, our first parents forsook the obedience of faith, ate of the forbidden tree, sinned against God, and fell from the innocence in which they were created.