

1 Thessalonians

Chapter 1

Verse 4

1. The word “election” simply means “_____.” If you are elected by God, you are selected or chosen by God.
2. The next word, “for,” in verse 5 connects it to this verse and explains how Paul knew their election.
3. The Thessalonians’ election did not happen in eternity _____, but rather, it happened in time, and it happened in response to their hearing and receiving the _____ of Christ. vs. 5-6, 9

Verse 5

1. This verse is a masterpiece on the subject of church planting and personal evangelism.
2. Paul founded this church on the _____. Acts 17:1-3
3. But we see another important principle in this verse. Our talk doesn’t mean a whole lot if our _____ doesn’t match our talk.
4. The assurance that their gospel was _____ was found in the way Paul and his companions lived their daily lives.

Verse 6

1. Thessalonica was a city steeped in paganism and idolatry. In verse 6-10, we will be able to see firsthand the difference the gospel makes in a person’s life.
2. In this verse, we see the importance of the _____ touch. Paul said that they *“became followers of us, and of the Lord.”*
 - *“Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ.” 1 Corinthians 11:1*
 - *“Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample.” Philippians 3:17*

3. Paul and his co-laborers provided sound teaching, but also a living _____ for these new believers to see and model.
4. Becoming a follower of the Lord does not mean the absence of _____.
5. Joy is not dependent on outward circumstances, but on the _____ working of God's Spirit in our hearts. 2 Corinthians 7:4, 8:2

Verse 7

1. The word "*ensamples*" means "a _____ for imitation."
2. Christ had made such a difference in these people's lives that they were an inspiration and _____ to other believers all throughout Macedonia and Achaia.