

**“A Church to be Proud of”**  
**2 Thess. 1:1-5**  
**Part 3**

Intro: A church to thank God for

1 Cor. 1:4; Phil. 1:3-5; Col. 1:3; 1 Thess. 1:2

• 5 realities of a church to be proud of vs. 1-5

1) A redeemed people vs. 1b-2

Eph. 1:7-8; 2 Thess. 2:13-14; Col. 1:13-14; 1 Peter 1:22-23

1 Thess. 1:1; 2 Cor. 5:17; Romans 6:1-11; 8:1-2

Romans 8:9-12, 16; Col. 1:9-10, 23, 27

Gal. 2:20; Col. 2:7, 19; 3:3-4; 1 John 5:20

• Examine yourself 2 Cor. 13:5

1 Cor. 3:16; 6:19-20; 1 Peter 2:5; James 4:4

John 14:23; 15:4; 1 Thess. 1:5; 2:13

2) An Increasing faith vs. 3

Romans 1:8; 8:12; 2 Thess. 2:13; 1 Thess. 1:2-3; 3:6, 9-10

Proverbs 4:18; Romans 1:17; 2 Cor. 5:7; 1 Cor. 16:13

Col. 1:23; Proverbs 3:5-7; Psalm 37:3, 5

- How does faith increase?

• Persecution

Matt. 13:20-21; Luke 22:31-32; 1 Peter 1:6-7; Job 42:1-6

Romans 8:34; James 1:2-4; Psalm 119:67, 71; 1 Peter 5:9

• Knowing God and the truth of your salvation

Eph. 1:15-19; Eph. 2:8-10; 1 Tim. 6:11-12

• Maturing in christlikeness

Eph. 4:11-13, 15; Col. 2:5-7; Heb. 12:1-2

• Encouraged by others

1 Thess. 3:2, 10; Romans 1:12; Phil. 1:27; 2:17; Heb. 13:7

• Believing and obeying the truth

Gal. 5:5-7; 1 Tim. 4:1, 6; Gal. 5:16, 22

3) A Growing love vs. 3

1 Thess. 1:2-3; 3:6, 12; 4:9-10; Phil. 1:9

2 Cor. 4:15; Romans 5:5; 1 John 2:9-10; 3:14-18

Gal. 5:13; 1 Cor. 13:4-7; John 13:34-35; 15:9-10

Close

1 Peter 1:22; 2:17; 4:8

