

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

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

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

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

Agape—love

By choice—with passion—to act on behalf of someone else towards God’s best for them.

4) A Persevering hope vs. 4

1 Thess. 1:2-3; 2:14; 3:2-9; 4:13; 5:8-9

2 Thess. 2:16-17; 3:5; Psalm 130:5-6; Lam. 3:26

Luke 12:36-37; Romans 5:3-5; 8:24-25

Titus 2:13; Rev. 3:10

● perseverance—

2 Cor. 6:4; Heb. 10:36; 12:1

James 1:2-3; Romans 12:12

● faithfulness—

Romans 3:3; Gal. 5:22

Titus 2:10; Matt. 23:23

● persecutions—

Matt. 5:10-12; 44; 13:21

Romans 12:14; 2 Tim. 3:12-17

- **afflictions—**
Romans 5:3; Mark 13:19
Psalm 119:143; 2 Thess. 1:6

- **endure—**
1 Cor. 4:12; 2 Tim. 4:3-5; 2 Cor. 11:1
2 Cor. 4:17-18; John 16:13; Acts 14:22

Close: Give thanks to God

2 Thess. 1:3-4; Proverbs 27:2; Luke 14:11; 2 Cor. 10:12,18

5) A Kingdom attitude vs. 5