

“A Church to be Proud of”
2 Thess. 1:1-5
Part 8

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

5) A Kingdom attitude vs. 5

Phil. 1:28; Matt. 6:33
Acts 14:22; 2 Tim. 3:10-12
Matt. 5:3, 10-16; Luke 6:20
Matt. 19:23-24; Matt. 10:38
Acts 5:41; 1 Thess. 2:9-14
Eph. 4:1; Col. 1:10
1 Peter 2:11-12; 4:14-18
Romans 5:1-5; James 1:2-4
Heb. 12:3; Matt. 13:44-45