WE ALWAYS THANK GOD FOR ALL OF YOU, MENTIONING YOU IN OUR PRAYERS. WE CONTINUALLY REMEMBER BEFORE OUR GOD AND FATHER YOUR WORK PRODUCED BY FAITH, YOUR LABOR PROMPTED BY LOVE, AND YOUR ENDURANCE INSPIRED BY HOPE IN OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.

1 THESS. 1:2-3

## YOUR WORK PRODUCED BY FAITH

## YOUR LABOR PROMPTED BY LOVE

#### LOVE REDEFINED BY THE CROSS OF CHRIST

# -A LOVE OF THE WORTHY -A LOVE THAT DESIRES TO POSSESS

AGAPE
-LOVE WITHOUT REGARD TO MERIT, OR EARNING
-LOVE THAT SEEKS TO GIVE

### **ENDURANCE INSPIRED BY HOPE IN CHRIST**

FOR WE KNOW, BROTHERS LOVED BY GOD, THAT HE HAS CHOSEN YOU, BECAUSE OUR GOSPEL CAME TO YOU NOT SIMPLY WITH WORDS, BUT ALSO WITH POWER, WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT AND WITH DEEP CONVICTION. YOU KNOW HOW WE LIVED AMONG YOU FOR YOUR SAKE. YOU BECAME IMITATORS OF US AND OF THE LORD; IN SPITE OF SEVERE SUFFERING, YOU WELCOMED THE MESSAGE WITH THE JOY GIVEN BY THE HOLY SPIRIT. AND SO YOU BECAME A MODEL TO ALL THE BELIEVERS IN MACEDONIA AND ACHAIA. THE LORD'S MESSAGE RANG OUT FROM YOU NOT ONLY IN MACEDONIA AND ACHAIA—YOUR FAITH IN GOD HAS BECOME KNOWN EVERYWHERE. THEREFORE WE DO NOT NEED TO SAY ANYTHING ABOUT IT, FOR THEY THEMSELVES REPORT WHAT KIND OF RECEPTION YOU GAVE US. THEY TELL HOW YOU TURNED TO GOD FROM IDOLS TO SERVE THE LIVING AND TRUE GOD, AND TO WAIT FOR HIS SON FROM HEAVEN, WHOM HE RAISED FROM THE DEAD—JESUS, WHO RESCUES US FROM THE COMING WRATH. 1 THESS. 1:4-10

## LOVED AND CHOSEN BY GOD

FOR THEY THEMSELVES REPORT WHAT KIND OF RECEPTION YOU GAVE US. THEY TELL HOW YOU TURNED TO GOD FROM IDOLS TO SERVE THE LIVING AND TRUE GOD, AND TO WAIT FOR HIS SON FROM HEAVEN, WHOM HE RAISED FROM THE DEAD—JESUS, WHO RESCUES US FROM THE COMING WRATH.

1 THESS. 1:9-10

## TURNED FROM IDOLS

### TO SERVE THE LIVING AND TRUE GOD

## YOU WAIT FOR THE LORD'S RETURN

MAKE IT YOUR AMBITION TO LEAD A QUIET LIFE, TO MIND YOUR OWN BUSINESS AND TO WORK WITH YOUR HANDS, JUST AS WE TOLD YOU, SO THAT YOUR DAILY LIFE MAY WIN THE RESPECT OF OUTSIDERS AND SO THAT YOU WILL NOT BE DEPENDENT ON ANYBODY.

1 THESS. 4:11-12

# WELL DONE

KEEP GOING