

**NOTABLE ASPECTS OF A CHURCH RESPONDING TO THE WOG  
(1 Thessalonians 1:2-10)**

**I. PAUL'S INTRODUCTION AND SALUTATION (1:1)**

**II. PAUL'S COMMENDATION CONCERNING THE THESSALONIANS (1:2-10)**

**A. His THANKSGIVING for them (1:2)....** "we give thanks ...always for you all"

**B. His REMEMBRANCE of them (1:3-4a)...** "remembering with out ceasing..."

**C. His UNDERSTANDING of their Election (1:4b)**

- How did this "election" of them come about?

1. They had responded in \_\_\_\_\_ to God's \_\_\_\_\_ message of salvation. It is what Paul called " \_\_\_\_\_ " (1:5)

2. They became \_\_\_\_\_ of the **missionaries** and of the **Lord** having received \_\_\_\_\_ . (1:6)

\* *Biblical Spirituality* asks these questions:

- 1) How are you \_\_\_\_\_ ? -
- 2) What are you \_\_\_\_\_ ? -
- 3) Who are you \_\_\_\_\_ ? -
- 4) Why are you \_\_\_\_\_ what you are \_\_\_\_\_ ? -

3. Their reception of God's word resulted in spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ of them as evidenced by them becoming godly \_\_\_\_\_ to others (1:7)

4. Their godly example was because they had received the \_\_\_\_\_ message from \_\_\_\_\_ .

5. Secondly, "having received the word", they became \_\_\_\_\_ effective \_\_\_\_\_ for Christ!

- How was this life transforming message *evidenced* in the Thessalonian believers?

1) Their witness was so clear that the apostles did not have to \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ anything. (1:8c)

2) They had \_\_\_\_\_ from idols (1:9b)

- What does this teach and indicate?

3) God has saved you to \_\_\_\_\_ the living and true God in time, (1:9d)

- How did this come about? (1:9)
- How is it possible to serve the living and true God? (Phil. 2:12-15)
- Who were they serving?

4) They had become a \_\_\_\_\_ church (1:10)

- How was this stated in this passage?
  - They were patiently \_\_\_\_\_ for God's Son to \_\_\_\_\_ from heaven!
  - He is the one who \_\_\_\_\_ for our sins and God \_\_\_\_\_ Him from the dead
  - His name is \_\_\_\_\_, who promises to \_\_\_\_\_ us from the \_\_\_\_\_ to come!
- What "wrath" is He referring to here?
- What is being guaranteed by God here?
- What does all this mean to you?