

A Life Worth Imitating — God-Serving & Christ-Awaiting

1 Thessalonians 1:6-10

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4 Things that Made The Thessalonians' Lives Worth Imitating

I. Joyfully <u>PERSEVERING</u>

II. Gospel-SPREADING

A. Their new life in Christ is characterized by a ______ of direction

B. They took the _____ step of abandoning those gods that were part of their family and community worship and gave their full allegiance to Yahweh (Acts

14:11-18; 17:22-31; 19:23-41; Rom 1:22-25; 1 Cor 5:1; Gal 5:20-21; Eph 5:5; Col 3:5)

C.	. We are saved that we might	
	<u>APPLICATION</u>	
	1. Do you have a reputation for being radically to God and His ways, forsaking the idols of our generation in clear, resolute, and decisive ways?	
	2. Do you exhibit to those who know you a clear rejection of worldly values and a deliberate commitment to the of our God?	
IV.Cl	Christ	
Α.	This waiting has both a and an componen	t
В.	. The Christian's hope of Christ's return is grounded in the very of Christ	-
C.	. If Paul points to the resurrection to ground our belief in the second coming, he now points to Jesus' deliverance of us from the wrath to come to ground our in the second coming	-
	APPLICATION	
	1. Is it evident to others that we are on a power that is not of thi earth but that comes from heaven through our faith in Christ?	3
	2. Does our give us the reputation of people whose treasure is most truly in the world to come, so that our thoughts, our passions, and our longings are directed to Christ, who dwells there now?	
May G	God, by His Spirit, work in each of us to be Joyfully Persevering, Gospel-Spreading, God-	
Servin	ing, and Christ-Awaiting, and thus pursue a life worth	