



Title | An Extraordinary Recipe for Thanksgiving

Text | 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

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**1 Thessalonians 1:1** Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. **2** We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, **3** remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. **4** For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, **5** because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. **6** And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, **7** so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. **8** For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything. **9** For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true

## Big Idea:

Text questions during the sermon: 623-850-8809

# Sermon

## **1 Thessalonians 1:2**

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## For Reflection & Application:

Monday:

- Think of a person whose faith or love you admire. Thank God for them, and then tell them that you thank God for their faith or love.

Tuesday:

- Think of a person whose hope you admire. Thank God for them, and then tell them that you thank God for their hope.

Wednesday:

- Think of a person whose brotherhood in Christ or Christlikeness you admire. Thank God for them, and then tell them that you thank God for their brotherhood or Christlikeness.

Thursday:

- Think of a person whose example you admire. Thank God for them, and then tell them that you thank God for their example.

Friday:

- Think of a person whose testimony or praise from others you admire. Thank God for them, and then tell them that you thank God for their testimony or praise from others.

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