

# SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

October 19, 2008

10:30 a.m.

## I. THE INTRODUCTION TO THE EPISTLE.

### A. *Paul's Salutation, 1*

### B. *Paul's Thanksgiving to God, v. 2-10.*

#### 1. The Thanksgiving Proper, 2

#### 2. The Initial Reasons for Thanksgiving, 3-4

#### 3. The Subsequent Reasons for Thanksgiving, 5-10

## II. A DEFENSE OF PAUL'S CONDUCT AND MINISTRY.

### A. *Paul's Conduct and Ministry in Thessalonica, 2:1-16*

#### 1. The Description of Paul's Conduct and Ministry, 1-12

#### 2. The Validation of Paul's Conduct and Ministry, 13-16.

### B. *Paul's Conduct after Thessalonica, 2:17-3:13.*

#### 1. The Problem of Paul's continued absence, 2:17-20

#### 2. The Solution to the Problem, 3:1-10.

### 3. Paul's Prayer to God for the Thessalonians, 3:11-13

## III. EXHORTATIONS CONCERNING THE CONDUCT OF THE THESSALONIANS.

### A. *Exhortations regarding Moral Purity, 4:1-8.*

#### 1. The Basis for the Exhortations, 1-2

#### 2. The Identification of Their Responsibilities, 3-6a

#### 3. The Support for the Exhortations, 6b-8

### B. *Exhortations regarding Brotherly Love, 4:9-12.*

#### 1. The Basis for the Exhortations, 9-10a

#### 2. The Identification of Their Responsibilities, 10b-11

#### 3. The Goal of the Exhortations, 12

### C. *Exhortations regarding Believers who have Died, 4:13-18.*

#### 1. The Basis of the Exhortation, 13-17

#### 2. The Exhortation Proper, 18

### D. *Exhortations regarding the Day of the Lord, 5:1-11.*

#### 1. The Basis for the Exhortations, 1-5

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### E. *Exhortations regarding Responsibilities of the Church, 5:12-22.*

#### 1. Christian leaders are to be treated with respect, 12-13

#### 2. Believers are accountable to one another and must engage one another in ministry, 14-15.

#### 3. Believers are accountable to God for doing His will, 16-22

### F. *Paul's Prayer to God for the church, 5:23-24*

## IV. THE CONCLUSION OF PAUL'S EPISTLE.

### A. *A Request for Prayer, v. 25*

### B. *The Sending of Greetings, v. 26*

### C. *The Command to Read the Epistle, v. 27*

### D. *The Benediction, v. 28*