

# WHAT DOES GENUINE FAITH IN CHRIST LOOK LIKE?

## Part 2: LEARNING FROM THE THESSALONIANS EXAMPLE

### 1 THESSALONIANS 1:9-10

- I. *From the Thessalonians example we see that WE WERE SAVED TO SERVE GOD: They had turned to God from dead idols to serve the living and true God (9)*

  - A. When we turn to Jesus for salvation, we also turn to serve Jesus (9)
  
  - B. What does this serving look like on a practical basis (misc. passages)?
    1. In the Body
    2. At home
    3. At work
    4. In the world

  
- II. *From the Thessalonians example we see that OUR FOCUS SHOULD BE ON JESUS AND HIS RETURN FOR US: They also had turned to God from dead idols to wait for His Son, Jesus, the risen savior, Who rescues us from the wrath to come (10)*

  - A. We should be eagerly and mindfully awaiting His Son's return from the heavens (10a)
  
  - B. As we await Jesus, we need to be mindful that His victory over sin, death and Satan is the basis for our deliverance from the same (10a).
  
  - C. As we await Jesus, we need to be mindful that He is the one who rescues us from God's coming wrath for our sin, individually and corporately (10b).

  
- III. So then, we are to be those who serve the Lord, while eagerly and mindfully awaiting Jesus' return (9-10)