

# The Toil of Love

## 1 Thessalonians 2:1-12

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How do we  
**share** the gospel  
with **efficacy**?



# Growing Together, While Apart

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1 Impact of **Faith**

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2a,b Toil of **Love**

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3 Accountability with **Hope**

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4 Growing in **Purity + Love**

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5a **Hope** as Sons of Day

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1. A Clean **Heart** (v3-6)

2. A **Mother's** Gift (v7-9)

3. A **Father's** Encouragement (v10-12)

For our appeal does not spring from  
**error** or **impurity** or any attempt to **deceive**,

1 Thessalonians 2:3 (ESV)

For we never came with  
words of **flattery**, as you know,  
nor with a pretext for **greed** – God is witness.  
Nor did we seek **glory** from people

1 Thessalonians 2:5 (ESV)

but just as we have been **approved** by God  
to be **entrusted** with the gospel,  
so we speak, not to please **man**,  
but to please **God** who **tests** our hearts.

1 Thessalonians 2:6 (ESV)





Is my heart **clean**  
as I share the gospel?

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But we were **gentle** among you,  
like a nursing **mother**  
taking care of her own children.

1 Thessalonians 2:7 (ESV)

So, being **affectionately** desirous of you,  
we were ready to **share** with you not only  
the **gospel** of God but also our own **selves**,  
because you had become very **dear** to us.

1 Thessalonians 2:8 (ESV)



For you remember, brothers, our **labor and toil**:  
we worked **night and day**, that we  
might not be a **burden** to any of you,  
while we proclaimed to you the gospel of God.

1 Thessalonians 2:9 (ESV)

# Labour and Toil

- “All work is **sinful**”
- “All work is **holy**”



Do I **work** hard  
and **care** deeply  
as I proclaim the gospel?



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You are witnesses, and God also, how  
**holy** and **righteous** and **blameless**  
was our conduct toward you believers.

1 Thessalonians 2:10 (ESV)

For you know how, like a **father** with his children, **12** we **exhorted** each one of you and **encouraged** you and **charged** you to **walk** in a manner **worthy** of God, who calls you into his own kingdom and glory.

1 Thessalonians 2:11-12 (ESV)





**Will I encourage,  
comfort, and testify  
that others may walk  
worthy of God's calling?**

