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(D3: The Ministry)

Paul's Gospel Ministry, 1 Thessalonians 1:4-2:12

9 descriptions of effective gospel ministry. Gospel ministry:

1. Reveals God's electing love, 1:4-5.
2. Labors for nothing short of repentance, 1:9a.
3. Must result in a desire for God above all else, 1:9b-10.
4. Doesn't lose courage in the face of opposition, 2:1-2.

5. Must flow from the truth and have pure motives, 2:3.

6. Concerns itself with God's approval alone, 2:4-6.

7. Values gentleness, 2:7.

8. Blends gospel proclamation and selfless love, 2:8-9.

9. Requires excellent behavior from all, 2:10-12.