

LIVING EXPECTANT OF CHRIST'S RETURN

1 THESSALONIANS

SERMON SERIES

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Title: Field Tested Faith

Scripture: 1 Thessalonians 4:9-12

1. Walk In Love
2. Stretch Your Love
3. Be Honest Examples

Key Scriptures:

1 Thess 4:9, 2 Peter 1:3-9, 1 John 3:16-18, John 15:12-13, 1 Thess 4:10, John 13:1-15, Ephesians 5:1-2, 1 Thess 4:11-12, 2 Thess 3:10-12, Philippians 1:20-26

Discussion Guide: (for use individually, as a family, or in a group)

Begin with prayer and read 1 Thess 4:9-12. Discuss any insights or observations you had from this week's message or from the scripture passages shared. Did anything stand out to you?

- **Read 1 John 3:16-18.** What is the world's model of love? According to this passage, what does love look like? How have you seen love modeled from Jesus? If He is our example of love, how should love be expressed in our lives?
- **Read John 13:1-15.** How far did Jesus take go in showing us His love? What does loving them to the end mean? Is the way you love others "to the end" or only so far? Explain. How can you stretch your love for others?
- **Read Philippians 1:20-26.** What does "to live is Christ and to die is gain" mean? How does a life that embraces both sides of this statement live from day to day, circumstance to circumstance? How can you better model this?

Discuss any further insights together and close in prayer.