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v. 2 We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers.

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- c. Loving others and praying for them is a privilege and a joy

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vv. 3-4 We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴ For we know, brothers and sisters^[a] loved by God, that he has chosen you,

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- **b. The believers in Thessalonica** were radically countercultural, unselfishly served others, and loved one another through difficult times

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v. 5 because our gospel came to you not simply with words but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction. You know how we lived among you for your sake.

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- b. Love is not just heard but seen

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Let's Pray

