

PREPARED TO SERVE

First Thessalonians 2



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- Paul wrote to the brethren in Thessalonica a touching letter of love and thankfulness.
- In it he discussed their service but also outlined the kind of service he and his fellow workers were attempting to provide while present with this church.
- Today, we will consider how to be prepared like Paul for service.



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- *Be prepared to serve with....*

HARSH CONDITIONS

- **I Thess. 2:1-2**
- **Acts 16:1-40**
- **Acts 21:27-36**
- **Acts 23:1-10**



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HONESTY

- **I Thess. 1:3-5**
 - No deception or flattery
 - No greed

HUMILITY

- **I Thess. 1:6**



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HEART

- **I Thess. 1:7-8**
- **Care and affection**

HARD WORK

- **I Thess. 1:9**
- **Quote from my dear brother & friend, Tommy B.**



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HOLINESS

- **I Thess. 1:10**
- **We have to serve with integrity.**
- **Set the right example.**
- **Don't serve with grumpiness and complaining.**



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HOPEFULNESS

- **1 Thess. 1:10**
- **Expectations for proper responses.**

HAPPINESS

- **1 Thess. 1:13-14**
- **Celebrate the spiritual successes.**

