WHAT DOES BIBLICAL MINISTRY LOOK LIKE? PART 2: PAUL IMPARTED THE WORD AND HIS LIFE FOR THE RIGHT REASONS 1 Thessalonians 2:5-9

- I. In biblical ministry THE WORD IS IMPARTED FROM THE RIGHT MOTIVES you can see: In defense, Paul reminds them how they imparted the Word... (1-5)
 - A. *Review:* Their motives demonstrated <u>in what they did</u>: There coming was not in vain but rather spoke the Word boldly amid opposition (1-2)
 - **B.** *Review:* **Their pure and proper motives revealed:** They spoke the Word with pure and proper motives, desiring to please God not men (3-4)

C. Their motives demonstrated in what they did not do (5)

- 1. They never spoke words of flattery, as the Thessalonians knew (5a)
- 2. They never spoke the Word as a cloak for covetousness, as God is witness (5b)
- II. In biblical ministry LIVES ARE IMPARTED FROM THE RIGHT MOTIVES you can see: In defense, Paul reminds them how they lovingly imparted their lives while imparting the Word (6-9)
 - A. Their motives demonstrated in what they did not do: They never sought glory, exercising weighty apostolic authority (6)
 - B. Their motives demonstrated in what they did: In contrast, they demonstrated loving gentleness, imparting their lives and laboring so as not to be a burden as they proclaimed the Word, as the Thessalonians knew. (7-9)

For Next Time

- III. In as summary of his defense, PAUL CALLS UPON THE THESSALONIANS AND GOD'S WITNESS AS TO HOW THEY BEHAVED TOWARD THEM (10-12)
 - A. Their behavior witnessed by the Thessalonians and God (10)
 - **B.** Their behavior demonstrated in what they did: Imparting the Word and their lives so that they would walk in a worthy manner (11-12)