



**Gospel** | Living to Please God Through Your Relationships | [1 Thessalonians 4:9-12](#)

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**BELONG**

What is something you enjoy making with your hands?

How are you able to better love and serve those in the church and your community?

**GROW**

**Read 1 Thessalonians 4:1-2 and 4:9-12.** Note that this passage continues the concept of “pleasing God” in Christian living.

How has this passage helped you follow Jesus more effectively?

Focusing on verses 9-10, what command of God were the Christians of Thessalonica known for?

**SERVE: NWA**

**Operation Christmas Child**

Operation Christmas Child provides God’s love in a tangible way to children in need around the world and shares the Good News of Jesus Christ. Pick up OCC Shoeboxes on Sunday mornings, November 1, 8, and 15 in the Worship Center Foyer and return on Sundays, November 15 and 22. Shoeboxes will also be available to pick up/drop off at the entrance of the Training Center Monday-Thursday, November 2-19, 8:30am-4:30pm. Questions? Contact Megan Higerd at [mehigerd@fellowshipnwa.org](mailto:mehigerd@fellowshipnwa.org).

Who is someone you know that stands out as “loving one another” well in the church? Describe what causes you to think of them.

**Connect DAILY**

[clarity2020.org](http://clarity2020.org)

**Sunday**

[1 Thessalonians 4:9-12](#)

**Monday**

[Hebrews 10:19-39;](#)  
[Psalm 136:8-16; Proverbs 29:10-13](#)

**Tuesday**

[Hebrews 11:1-40;](#)  
[Psalm 136:17-26; Proverbs 29:14-16](#)

**Wednesday**

[Hebrews 12:1-29;](#)  
[Psalm 137; Proverbs 29:17-20](#)

**Thursday**

[Hebrews 13:1-25;](#)  
[Psalm 138; Proverbs 29:21-23](#)

**Friday**

[1 Peter 1:1-25;](#)  
[Psalm 139:1-5; Proverbs 29:24-27](#)

**Saturday**

[1 Peter 2:1-25;](#)  
[Psalm 139:6-13; Proverbs 30:1-4](#)

If the Thessalonians already excelled in this manner, why would Paul exhort them to “do this more and more”? What does this tell us about persistence and consistency in Christian living? How would you have reacted upon hearing this charge?

In verse 11, Paul adds several instructions. What point is he making? Why are these important for the people in a church—then and today? What are the downsides of God’s people being either too busy or too idle? How do you know in your life when you are getting too close to one extreme or the other?

**QUESTIONS?**

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