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*Thessalonians*

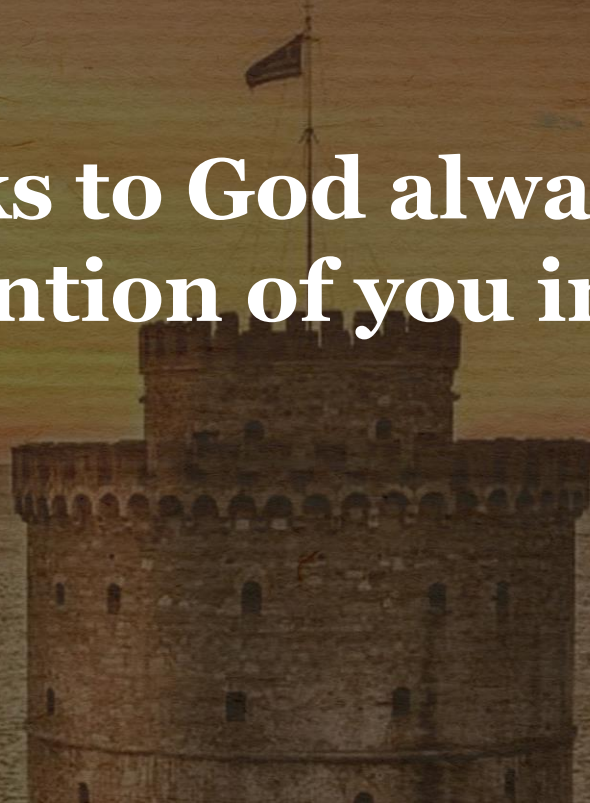


# I Thessalonians 1:1-10

**<sup>1</sup> Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, to the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.**

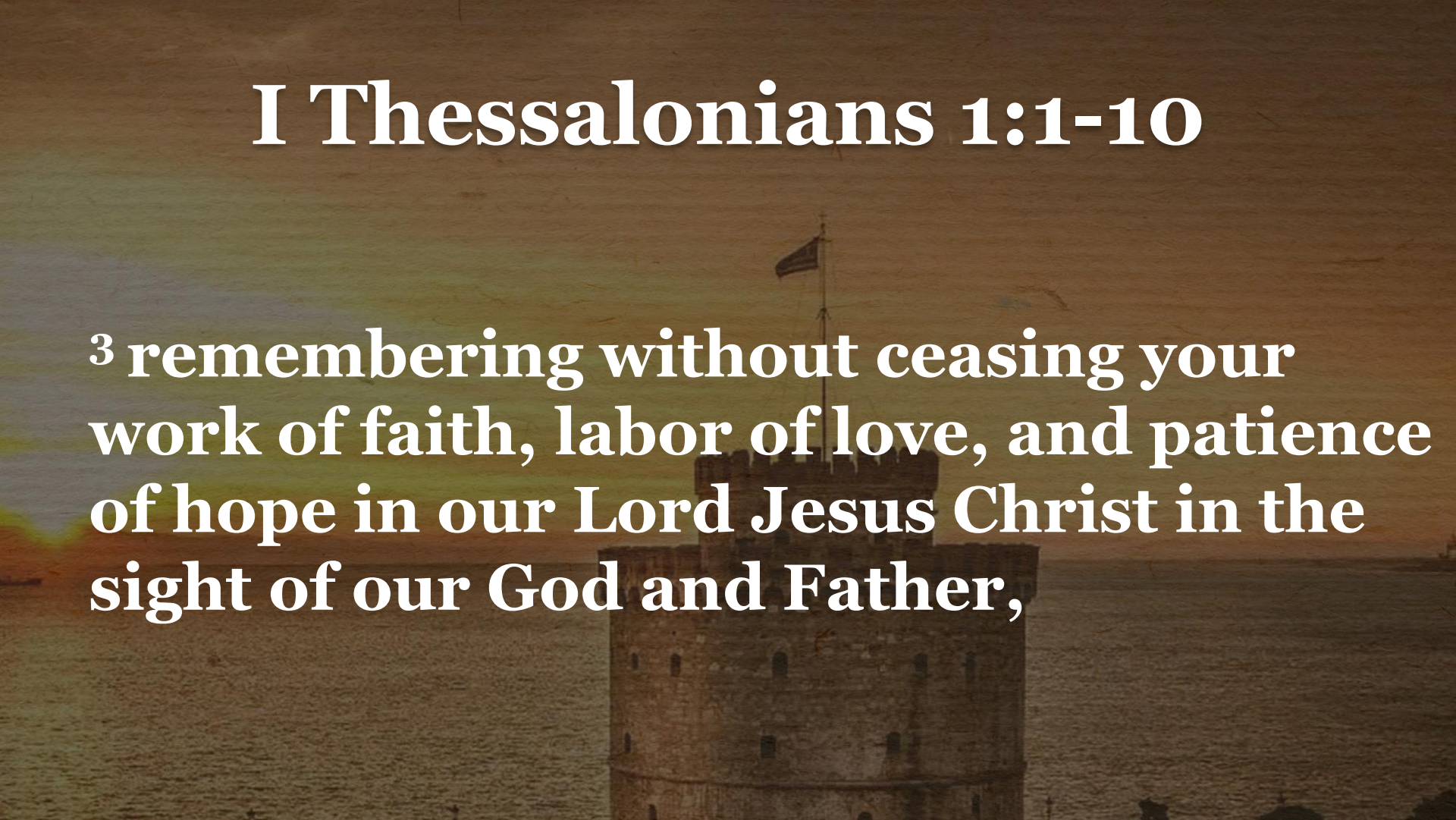
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<sup>2</sup> We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers,



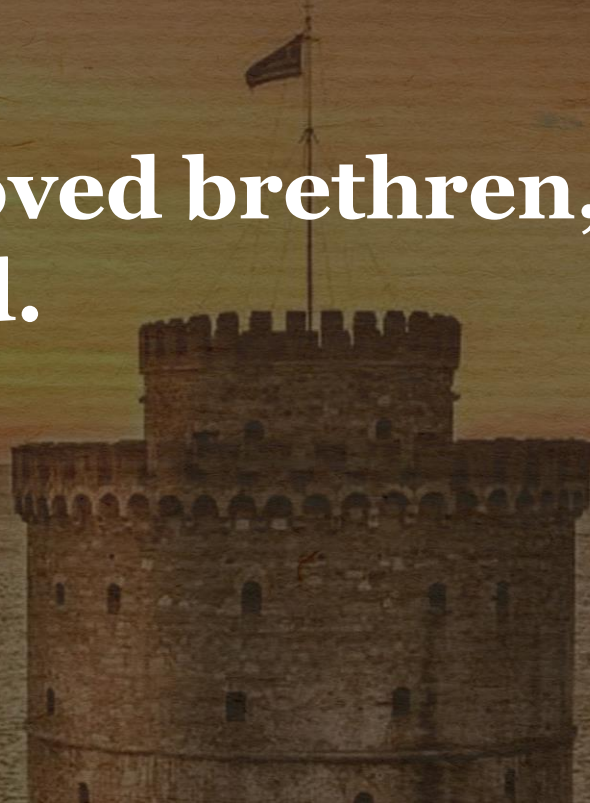
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<sup>3</sup> remembering without ceasing your work of faith, labor of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ in the sight of our God and Father,

A stone tower with a flag on top, set against a sunset background. The tower is cylindrical with small windows and a flagpole on top. The background shows a sunset over a body of water, with the sun low on the horizon.

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<sup>4</sup> knowing, beloved brethren, your election by God.



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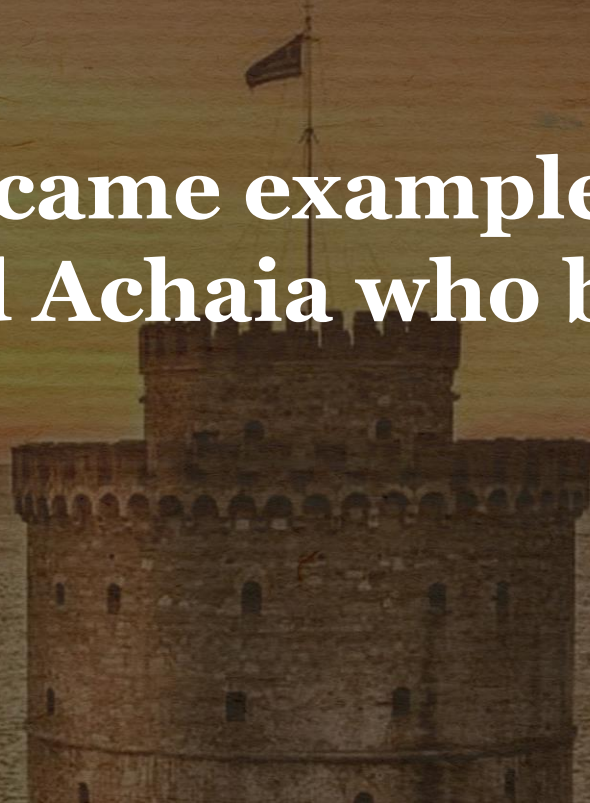
**5 For our gospel did not come to you in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Spirit and in much assurance, as you know what kind of men we were among you for your sake.**

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**<sup>6</sup> And you became followers of us and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, with joy of the Holy Spirit,**

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<sup>7</sup> so that you became examples to all in Macedonia and Achaia who believe.





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**<sup>8</sup> For from you the word of the Lord has sounded forth, not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place. Your faith toward God has gone out, so that we do not need to say anything.**

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**9 For they themselves declare concerning us what manner of entry we had to you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God,**


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<sup>10</sup> and to wait for His Son from heaven, whom He raised from the dead, *even* Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

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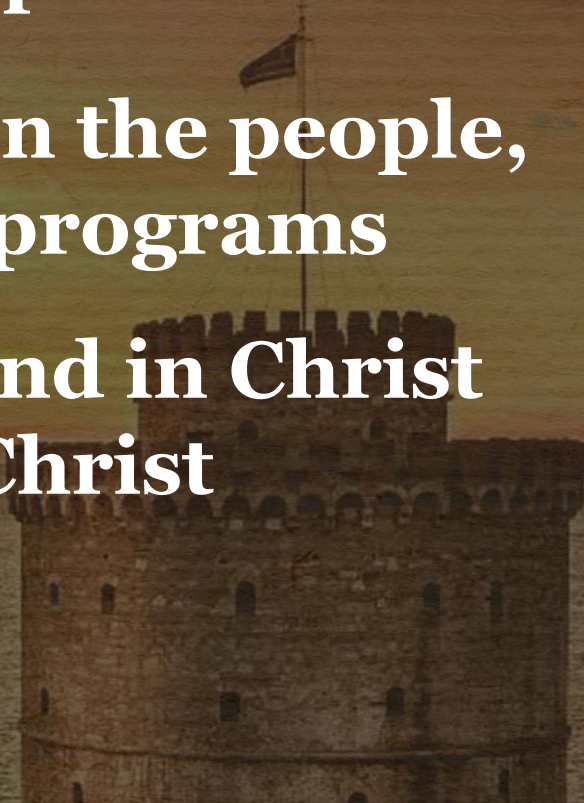
A painting of a stone tower with a flag on top, set against a sunset sky over the ocean. The tower is the central focus, with a flag flying from a pole on its roof. The sky is a mix of warm colors, and the ocean is visible in the background.

**Bring the picture of the Church  
into a clear view**

**A. Her origin is in God –  
God is the author**

**B. Her focus is on the people,  
not property or programs**

**C. Her life is found in Christ  
and because of Christ**



A stone tower with a flag on top, set against a sunset sky over the ocean. The tower is the central focus, with a flag flying from a tall pole on its top. The sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and blue, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The ocean is visible in the background, and the overall scene is somewhat dimly lit, giving it a serene and contemplative feel.

**Have a clear view of the ministry  
of the Church**

## **A. By having a focus on prayer**

**Paul demonstrated a heart of habitual prayer:**

**Rom. 1:8-10    Col. 1:3-14**

**I Cor. 1:4-9    II Thess. 1:3-12**

**II Cor. 1:3-7    I Tim. 1:12-17**

**Eph. 1:3-23    II Tim. 1:3-7**

**Phil. 1:3-11    Philemon 4-7**



A stone tower with a flag on a hill overlooking the ocean at sunset. The tower is the central focus, with a flag flying from its top. The background shows a sunset over the ocean, with a warm, golden glow. The text is overlaid on the image in a white, serif font.

## **B. By seeing the evidence of Christ at work**

**1. Work of Faith**

**2. Labor of Love**

**3. Patience of Hope**