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Although the three men figured prominently into the start of the Church in Thessalonica, Paul emphasized:

- That the Church is in God the Father & in the LORD Jesus Christ *v. 1*
- That grace & peace originate with God the Father & the LORD Jesus Christ *v. 1*
- That thanks & prayer ought to be lifted to God *v. 2*
is this your first response??
- That all service is performed in the sight of God the Father & in the LORD Jesus Christ *v. 3*

Focus should be on the Father & the Son

v. 3: 11

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Paul acknowledged the efforts & successes of the Church in Thessalonica: [v. 3](#)

- Work of faith [v. 6](#), [2: 13](#), [3: 6](#)
- Labor of love [v. 8](#), [9](#),
- Patience of hope in Jesus Christ [v. 10](#), [3: 3-4](#),
- They were examples for other Churches & believers in the area of Macedonia & Achaia [v. 7](#)



PAUL'S MISSIONARY JOURNEYS

- ← Paul's first journey
- ← Paul's second journey
- ← Paul's third journey
- ← Paul's journey to Rome
- City addressed in an Epistle
- Other city

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- *1 Pet 1: 2*
- *Rom 8: 29*
- *1 Thes 4: 3*

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- The behavior and demeanor of Paul, Silas & Timothy