"<u>FIRST THESSALONIANS CHAPTER 1</u>" Yellowstone Baptist Church

1 Thess. 1:1-5-1 Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. 2 We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, 3 remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. 4 For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, 5 because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake.

I. The Salutation -v. 1

II. A Heart of Thanksgiving – vv. 2-5

- A. Thankful for you all.
- B. Thankful for your service.
- C. Thankful for your salvation.
- D. Thankful for your acceptance of the Word.
- E. Thankful for your example.

III. Expression of Thanksgiving

- A. Thanks to God
- B. Praise with prayer
 - 1. Pray for the items God would have you purchase.
 - 2. Pray for the money God would have you give.
 - 3. Pray for the boxes to arrive safely to the children.
 - 4. Pray for the various modes of transportation that it takes for the boxes to get to the children.
 - 5. Pray that the children will be allowed to keep all of the items that they receive.
 - 6. Pray for every volunteer, church, and worker of OCC.
- C. The particulars of his praise