



C O R N E R S T O N E
B A P T I S T C H U R C H

“Meet the Thessalonians”
1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Acts 17:1-9; 1 Thessalonians 2:17-20; 3:6-10; Romans 15:25-27; 2 Corinthians 8:1-5

I. The letter opens with the standard elements of a _____ identifying the author(s) and recipients (1:1a).

Corinthians 1:19; 1 Peter 5:12; Acts 15:22; 16:17

- a. Paul gives a twist on a secular greeting by replacing “greetings” (*chairein*) with “_____” (*charis*), the foundation of our salvation, and adds the Jewish concept of peace (1:1).
- b. Paul cites his _____ and _____ for these believers (1:2-3).

II. Paul says that he _____ that God loved and chose these believers (1:4).

- a. The source of this knowledge is _____ (1:5a).

James 2:22; Hebrews 6:10

- b. Obedience by new believers is a work of God that is _____ from believer to believer to

believer in which case a _____ of the Holy Spirit was found in affliction (1:5b-7).

Joel 2:28-32; 1 Corinthians 4:19-5:2

- c. Obedient faith resounds and encourages believers _____ (1:8-10).

Ecclesiastes 7:10