HICKORY GROVE
BAPTIST CHURCH

An Authentic Ministry | 1 Thessalonians 2:1-12

The Pastors' Class | Wednesday, April 29, 2020

"We have been approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel,
so we speak, not to please man, but to please God who tests our hearts."
1 Thessalonians 2:4

Theme: Four Marks of an Authentic Ministry

1. A **Persistent** Ministry (2:1-2).
    - Persistent **Courage** (v. 2a).
    - Persistent **Boldness** (v. 2b).

2. A **Pure** Ministry (2:3-6)
    - Pure **Motivation** (vv. 3,5-6).
    - Pure **Confidence** (v. 4).

3. A **Personal** Ministry (2:7-10).
    - Personal **Sacrifice** (v.7).
    - Personal **Transparency** (v.8).
    - Personal **Example** (vv. 9-10).

4. A **Passionate** Ministry (2:11-12).
    - Passion for **Holiness** (v. 12a).
    - Passion for **Heaven** (v. 12b).