

# A Love-Life Pleasing to God

**1THS 4:1-12; ROM 1:18-32; 5:5, 8; 6:11-14; 1COR 6:15, 18-20**

## INTRODUCTION:

How is your \_\_\_\_\_?

Who is the object of your affections?



★ Christian love is \_\_\_\_\_-focused for the glory of \_\_\_\_\_ and by the power of the \_\_\_\_\_ Spirit.

1. Paul was actively involved in \_\_\_\_\_ the Thessalonians, even from a distance. (4:1-2)
2. Paul challenged the \_\_\_\_\_ ethic of the Thessalonians. (4:3-8)
  - a. God wants us to be separated, dedicated and \_\_\_\_\_ in every area of life.
  - b. Holiness comes as a result of being free from sin and \_\_\_\_\_ to God. (ROM 6:22)
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_ is a perfect area to practice personal holiness.
    - Abstain from sexual \_\_\_\_\_. (v3)
    - Control your \_\_\_\_\_ in holiness and honor. (v4)
    - View sexuality through your relationship with the \_\_\_\_\_. (v5, ROM 1:28-29)
    - Choose to be \_\_\_\_\_ in this aspect of your life. (v5)
  - d. Sexuality that \_\_\_\_\_ God's boundaries or \_\_\_\_\_ for what is not rightfully yours mistreats the other person. (1COR 6:15, 19)
  - e. Disregarding God's design and direction for sexuality \_\_\_\_\_ God. (v8)
  - f. God has given the \_\_\_\_\_ Spirit to produce holiness in his children. (v8)
3. Paul reinforced a different expression of \_\_\_\_\_ within the church. (4:9-12)
  - a. Friendship and sacrifice are two other "loves" that are \_\_\_\_\_ with the gospel. (v9)
  - b. A healthy church is a \_\_\_\_\_ church. (vv10-11)
    - Love your brothers with consistency & \_\_\_\_\_.
    - Aspire to live \_\_\_\_\_.
    - Mind your \_\_\_\_\_ affairs.
    - \_\_\_\_\_ with your hands.
  - c. This kind of love helps "outsiders" understand the \_\_\_\_\_. (v12; TTS 2:1-5)

**CONCLUSION:** Who is the object of my affections?