

WHEN PAUL PRAYS:

# FIGHTING FOR FRUITFULNESS

*1 Thessalonians 1:1-3*



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## 1 TIMOTHY 4:8-10

For bodily exercise profits a little, but godliness is profitable for all things, having promise of the life that now is and of that which is to come. <sup>9</sup> This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance. <sup>10</sup> For to this end we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, especially of those who believe.



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## 1 THESSALONIANS 1:1-3

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, to the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>2</sup> We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers, <sup>3</sup> remembering without ceasing your work of faith, labour of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ in the sight of our God and Father.



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## PHILIPPIANS 1:11

...filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ to the glory and praise of God.

## 1 CORINTHIANS 15:10

By the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than all of them, yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.



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## 1. WORK OF FAITH

### COLOSSIANS 3:12-17

Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering, <sup>13</sup> bearing with one another, and forgiving one another if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you must also do. <sup>14</sup> But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection.



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### COLOSSIANS 3:12-17

<sup>16</sup> Let the word of God dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms, hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

<sup>17</sup> And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to the Father through Him.



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### 1 CORINTHIANS 10:31

Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

### PHILIPPIANS 2:13

For it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure.



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**1. WORK OF FAITH**

**2. LABOUR OF LOVE**

**JOHN 14:15**

If you love Me, keep my commandments





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**2. LABOUR OF LOVE**

**3. ENDURANCE OF HOPE**

## **HEBREWS 12:1-2**

...let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup> looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith...



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