

D3: The Ministry - Paul's Gospel Ministry, 1 Thes 1:4-2:12.

What is gospel ministry? Gospel ministry:

1. Reveals God's prior electing love, 1:4-5.
2. Results in fearless, joyful and exemplary imitators, 1:6-7.
3. Is multiplied quickly by new believers, 1:8.
4. Labors for nothing short of repentance, 1:9.
5. Results in a desire for God above all else, 1:10.

6. Doesn't lose courage in the face of opposition, 2:1-2.

7. Must flow from the truth and pure motives, 2:3.

8. Concerns itself with God's approval alone, 2:4-6.

9. Knows how to be gentle, 2:7.

10. Balances gospel proclamation and selfless love, 2:8-9.

11. Requires excellent behavior from all, 2:10-12.