

**THE WORD OF GOD WORKING EFFECTIVELY IN YOU**

1 Thessalonians 2:13

## INTRODUCTION

- A. Open your Bible to 1 Thessalonians – 1 TH 2:13.
- B. The Bible – the received “word of God” ....”truth” ....”the word of God” ....effectually worketh also in you.”
  - 1. “Word of God” – Foundation: Respect for Word.
  - 2. “Effectively worketh” – What it does and How it does it.
- C. “Effectively worketh” – Defined.
  - 1. Strong’s: “energeo (en-erg-eh'-o); from #1756; to be active, efficient:”
  - 2. Thayer: “to display one's activity, to show oneself operative: (2 Thess 2:7).”
  - 3. “The meaning is, that the truth was made efficacious in the minds of all who became true Christians. It induced them to abandon their sins, to devote themselves to God, to lead pure and holy lives, and enabled them to abide the trials and temptations of life.” (Barnes)
  - 4. “It shows it energy [energeitai] in its practical effects.” (JFB)
  - 5. “The idea then is that the word of God is set in operation in your that believe.” (Robertson – Word Pictures)
- D. Far more than:
  - 1. Being baptized.
  - 2. Going to church.
  - 3. Getting your lesson.
  - 4. Having family faithful.
  - 5. Being moral.
- E. The book of 1 Thessalonians gives 25 points.

## DISCUSSION

- I. Work of Faith – 1:3.
- II. Labor of Love – 1:3.
- III. Patience of Hope – 1:3.
- IV. Followers of the Lord – 1:6.
- V. Endure Afflictions – 1:6.
- VI. Example – 1:7.
- VII. Sound out the Word – 1:8.
- VIII. Drastic Change – 1:9.
- IX. Look to Second Coming – 1:10.
- X. Respect Word – 2:13.
- XI. Stand fast – 3:8.
- XII. Blameless and Holy – 3:13.
- XIII. Moral Pure – 4:3.
- XIV. Brotherly Love – 4:9.
- XV. Grow and Increase – 4:10.
- XVI. Quite and Peaceable – 4:10-11.
- XVII. Mind Own Business – 4:11.
- XVIII. Comfort and Edify Others – 5:11.
- XIX. Respect Leaders – 5:12-13.
- XX. Warn Unruly – 5:14.
- XXI. Rejoice – 5:16.
- XXII. Pray Always – 5:17.
- XXIII. Thankful – 5:18.
- XXIV. Abstain All Sin – 5:22.
- XV. Greet Brethren – 5:26.

CONCLUSION – Is The Bible Working In You?