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LOOKING FORWARD TO CHRIST'S RETURN A STUDY THROUGH 1 THESSALONIANS

Paul's Parental Love (and Ministry)

1 Thessalonians 2:1-12

1. Paul was gentle with them like a **NURSING MOTHER** with her children. (7-8)

So, being affectionately desirous of you we were ready to share with you,

- *the gospel of God*
- *our own selves (our lives as well)*
- *because you had become very dear to us.*

2. Like a **FATHER** with his children, Paul exhorted, encouraged and charged them. (11-12)

- *... to walk in a manner worthy of God,*
- *GOD - who calls you into his own kingdom and glory.*

3. Paul was **ENTIRELY** about "the good news" in word and deed.

- *... we had boldness in our God to declare to you the gospel of God (2)*
- *... we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel (4)*
- *... we were ready to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves (8)*
- *For you remember, brothers, our labor and toil: we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you, while we proclaimed to you the gospel of God. (9)*