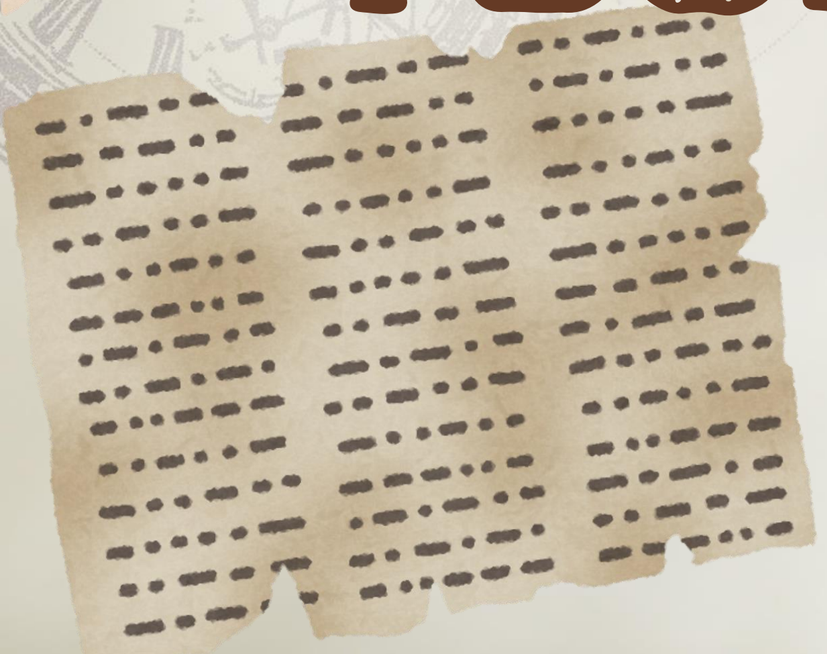
WHAT DOES YOUR LIFE SAY?



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1 Thes. 2:1-8

You yourselves know, dear brothers and sisters,[a] that our visit to you was not a failure.2 You know how badly we had been treated at Philippi just before we came to you and how much we suffered there. Yet our God gave us the courage to declare his Good News to you boldly, in spite of great opposition. 3 So you can see we were not preaching with any deceit or impure motives or trickery.

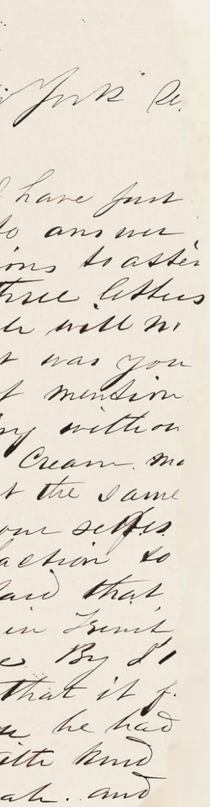
4 For we speak as messengers approved by God to be entrusted with the Good News. Our purpose is to please God, not people. He alone examines the motives of our hearts.

1 Thes. 2:1-8

5 Never once did we try to win you with flattery,
as you well know. And God is our witness that
we were not pretending to be your friends just
to get your money! 6 As for human praise, we
have never sought it from you or anyone else.
7 As apostles of Christ we certainly had a right
to make some demands of you, but instead we
were like children[b] among you. Or we were
like a mother feeding and caring for her own
children. 8 We loved you so much that we
shared with you not only God's Good News but
our own lives, too.

OUR ACTIONS SHOULD SUPPORT OUR WORDS

"Our words tell people what we believe.
Our actions reveal whether we're living it."



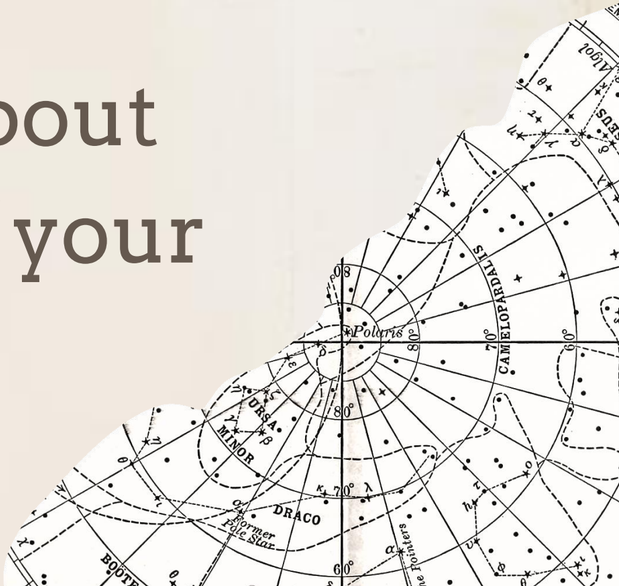


GOD KNOWS THE MOTIVES OTHERS CANNOT SEE

"It's possible to win an argument about your reputation while losing sight of your responsibility to God."







THE WAY WE TREAT PEOPLE IS PART OF OUR TESTIMONY



WHEN SOMEONE QUESTIONS YOUR CHARACTER, WHAT DO YOU HAVE TO POINT TO BESIDES YOUR OWN WORDS?