

## **Four Marks of Faithful Ministers\***

1 Thessalonians 2:1-12 [Page 1838]

### **Prayer Concerns:**

1. **Bold in the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_** [1-3]

2. **Live for an \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_** [4-6a]

3. **Sincere \_\_\_\_\_ for God's people.** [6b-9]

4. **Walk \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_** [10-12]

## Personal Study/Growth Group Discussion Questions

### The Bible Recap:

1. How did God speak to you this past week from Job 24-34?

### Read 1 Thessalonians 2:1-12

1. In verses 1-2, Paul recounts his earlier ministry experiences. How did these events impact Paul's work with the Thessalonians?
2. Why do many people view Christians as phony or fake?
3. What are the unhealthy or ungodly motivations for ministry that Paul mentions in verses 3-7?
4. How did Paul challenge the Thessalonians to examine the integrity of his life? What did they discover?

5. Are you honestly motivated by a desire to please people or to please God?

6. In what specific and concrete ways mentioned in verses 9-12 did Paul and his companions minister to or disciple the Thessalonians?

7. What is your greatest hope for those around you? How would it change your behavior if you focused more on helping others to "walk in a manner worthy of God"?

### Taking it Home:

1. Are you living to please people or God? And, are you walking in a manner worthy of God's calling upon your life?