

Time To Make OUR Mark  
**The Markings of A  
Godly Person**

1 Thessalonians 1:1-2:11



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## • RECAP

### What is meant by “Making A Mark”?

- To do something that is meaningful
- To do something that will impact or effect lives
- To have a dynamic effect on something or someone



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- **RECAP**

## Why should Believers look to Make a Mark?

- God expects his Children to:
- Live a life that is positioned to be meaningful, impactful, prepared for dynamic effect
- Live our lives in such a way that we not only effect this generation but the one to come!



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- **RECAP**

- **What kind of marks are believers expected to leave?**

- ***power*** – demonstrates the Authority of the Kingdom
- ***love*** – demonstrates the Compassion of the Kingdom
- ***message of the Gospel of Christ*** – demonstrates & proclaims the Authenticity/Reality of the Kingdom



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**The Way a Person Lives Their Life Determines  
what kind of Mark they Make!**

You will leave either a  
Godly Mark  
Selfish Mark  
Worldly Mark



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**Believers Must Be Willing to Minister**

**1Thes 1:4-5/1 Cor 12:5**

Believers are equipped with spiritual gifts for the purpose of ministry





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## Believers Must Be Willing to Disciple

1Thes 1:5-7/Heb 13:7

- Discipleship means that we ***deliberately*** connect ourselves to people in order to guarantee a godly mark will be left on their life. We are trying to ***duplicate*** godliness! Not an ability to doing good, but godliness!



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**Pastor Juan Carlos Ortiz** of Buenos Aires said:

*“Discipleship is not a communication of knowledge or information. It is a communication of life.... Discipleship is more than getting to know what the teacher knows. It is getting to be what he is. That’s why the Bible says we are to make disciples. That is much more than just talking to them, or winning them, or instructing them. The making of a disciple means the creating of a duplicate”*





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**Believers Must Be willing to Suffer**  
**1Thes 2:1-4/2Cor 1:4**

Suffering is essential in  
equipping us for ministering to others



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**Dr. David Powlison addresses suffering this way:**

- *When you've passed through your own fiery trials, and found God to be true to what he says, you have real help to offer. You have firsthand experience of both his sustaining grace and his purposeful design. He has kept you through pain; he has reshaped you more into his image. . . . What you are experiencing from God, you can give away in increasing measure to others. You are learning both the tenderness and the clarity necessary to help sanctify another person's deepest distress.*



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**Believers Must Be willing to Care**  
**1Thes 2:7-8/Matt 25:34-40**

We should desire to care for the people of God...  
Not in **Words** alone but in **ACTION**



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The word (*eudokéō*) Paul uses means:

- *To be willing to take delight in*
- *It stresses the willingness/readiness of an intention regarding what is good*



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According to scripture...We should obligate ourselves to care for others especially those less fortunate

**Caring requires us:** to give attention to someone the way we would like for God and others to care for us

**This includes “investing” in their well being**

- *Visiting them if they're sick*
- *Giving to their need*
- *Helping where you can*
- *Giving your life!*



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## Must Be willing to Sacrifice 1Thes 2:8-9/1Jhn 3:16

Christian sacrifice is a total life of service to God.

- Our sacrifice should be deliberate
- Our sacrifice should be consecrated
- Our sacrifice should be acceptable





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Christian **sacrifice** is a **total life of service** to God.  
In Israel, the **whole burnt offering** ascended to God.  
It symbolized the **entire surrender** unto God.



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The sacrifice, like our lives, belonged to God:

- Our sacrifice should be **deliberate** (unlike animal sacrifice)

Ps 82:2

***This voluntary act expresses a willingness to devote ones life to God***



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- Our sacrifice should be **consecrated** (in compliance to God's will)  
Lev 20:7
  - *It involves complete surrender of our will to God's will*



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- Our sacrifice should be **acceptable** (motivated by love & executed with holiness) Rom 12:1-2
- I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, **holy** and **acceptable** to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God— what is good and **acceptable** and perfect.

- Rom 12:1-2



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## Believers Must Be willing to Sacrifice

- **Holy** – Set apart to God (to be used for His will)
  - TO live Free from sinful **practice**
- **Acceptable**-(Grk) **εὐάρεστος (êvarestōs)**: Well-pleasing; eminently satisfactory, or extra-ordinarily pleasing
  - **This term meant that God was well pleased with or accepted favorably the sacrifice offered by the offerer**



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**Believers Must Be willing to Love**  
**1Thes 2:8/Lk 6:32-36**

God's love is generous and selfless—poured out on everyone whether they deserve it or not.





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