

## WHAT DOES GOD WANT?

*1 Thessalonians 4.1-5.11*

After congratulating the Thessalonian believers for their faithfulness to Christ in his absence, Paul then sets them straight on some theological issues and reminds them of what God ultimately desires of them.

- God wants us to **LIVE HOLY LIVES**.

*It is God's will that you should be sanctified...* 1 Thessalonians 4.3

- God wants us to **LOVE ONE ANOTHER**.

*Now about your love for one another we do not need to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love each other...Yet we urge you, brothers and sisters, to do so more and more...* 1 Thess. 4.9-10

- God wants us to be **RESPONSIBLE** believers.

*...make it your ambition to lead a quiet life: You should mind your own business and work with your hands, just as we told you, so that your daily life may win the respect of outsiders and so that you will not be dependent on anybody.* 1 Thessalonians 4.11-12

- God wants us to live **WITH HOPE**. 1 Thessalonians 4.13-18

*Therefore encourage one another with these words.* v.18

- God wants us to live with **ALERTNESS**.

*So then, let us not be like others, who are asleep, but let us be awake and sober.* 1 Thessalonians 5.6

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**What is God saying to me?**

**What am I going to do about it?**

**Love God, Love Others, Learn Jesus, DO SOMETHING!**

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