

Evidence Of An Effective Legacy

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5

What kind of LEGACY are WE Building as we Look Forward the return of Jesus?

Our Belief & our Faith in Jesus should have a PROFOUND effect on our Priorities in life.

To build an Effective Legacy, those who have Already Come to Jesus must become absolutely, thoroughly & entirely SOLD OUT to Him!

Today, we'll look at FOUR Evidences of an Effective Legacy...

1. YOUR WORK OF FAITH (v.3)

- Our Faith is WHY we DO what we DO! (James 2:14-17)
- There's NO such thing as a "SORT OF" Christian.
- Faith in Christ CHANGES US! (2 Corinthians 5:17)
- There's only 2 KINDS of faith...an ACTIVE faith or DEAD faith.
- Our Works of Faith are the Evidence for everyone to see.

2. YOUR LABOR OF LOVE (v.3)

- LOVE should always be the Attitude behind our service.
- When you're Motivated by love, you'll DO most anything for a person.
- We Labor for the Lord because we Love Him & we Love His people (*lost or saved*).
- True Love always requires Hard Work.

3. YOUR STEADFASTNESS OF HOPE (v.3)

- Life without HOPE is NOT LIFE.
- Our hope IN Jesus...is what Allows us to Endure the tough times in life.
- Steadfastness means "we Don't Quit when things get tough."
- There are No Hopeless Situations...only People who have LOST their Hope.

4. YOUR ABSOLUTE CONVICTION (1 Thessalonians 1:4-5)

- Jesus changes us...BUT if "Conviction" is missing we will NOT change.
- If you read your Bible & are Convinced it is TRUE...YOU WILL CHANGE!
- Show me a person SOLD OUT to Jesus & I'll show you a person Fully Convinced that Jesus IS who He says He IS...
- Are you allowing Jesus to Make a Difference in ALL the areas of your life?
- We will NEVER create a Legacy that honors God unless we're Absolutely Convinced to have an Active faith motivated by Love & Hope.

