

Sermon Title: "Loving Labor for the Lord"

Sermon Text: 1 Thess. 1:3

Sermon Outline:

I. The Motive for Labor (v. 3)

II. The Manner of Labor

- A. Example (6-7)
- B. Evangelism (8-9)
- C. Expectation (10)

III. The Memory of Labor (2-3)

Questions:

1. What does Paul mean when he says that the Thessalonians' labor was prompted by love?
2. Discuss the three areas in which the Thessalonians' labor could be seen.
3. Paul remembered the Thessalonians' labor and thanked God for it. What application should we make of this relative to the labors of our fellow MV members?
4. Let each personally consider whether what they do for the Lord could honestly be considered labor. How can we motivate ourselves to labor more diligently for the glory of the one who labored so sacrificially for us?