Be Ready - A Study of 1 & 2 Thessalonians

“A Model Church”  David Owens
1 Thessalonians 1:1-10  2.26.12

Introduction:
A. If you ever find the _______ church, please don’t join it. If you do, it won’t be _______ anymore.
B. The church at Thessalonica was not a perfect church, but they were closer to the _______ than many.
C. Paul’s salutation followed the typical form of first century letters.
   1. The proper form identified the __________, the __________, and ended with a __________.
D. The next thing that was characteristic of Paul’s letters was his opening _______.

I. They were a Model Church because of their _______. This was demonstrated in...
   A. Their _______ produced by _______.
   B. Their _______ prompted by _______.
   C. Their _______ inspired by _______.

II. They were a Model Church because of their _______.
   A. They received the _______.
   B. They became ___________ of Paul and the Lord.
   C. They did this in spite of _______ _______.

III. They were a Model Church because of their _______. It had a number of components...
   A. The first component was their ____________.
   B. The second component was their ____________ of the _______.
   C. The third component was their _______.
      1. Three elements: what we _______, what we _____, and what we will _______.
   D. The Lord’s _______ is _______ (James 5:8)