**Be Ready - A Study of 1 & 2 Thessalonians**

**“Living to Please God (Pt. 1)”**

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1 Thessalonians 4:1-8

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A. Did you know that the most dangerous time for collisions with the deer population is during ________ season?

B. Unfortunately, deer aren’t the only creatures destroyed by a preoccupation with ______.

C. As we come to 1 Thessalonians 4, we see that Paul moves into the very ___________ section of the letter.

D. Paul instructs the Thessalonians and us about living in a way that ______ God.

E. Paul gives more space in this section to the first subject - ______ _____.

F. Freedom of sexual expression has become the cultural _____ that rules over all the other idolatrous _____ of postmodern culture.

G. We need to realize that the culture of 1st century Thessalonica tolerated ______ sexual immorality than our own.

H. No doubt many of the new converts in Thessalonica had lived in ______.

I. Clarification: Sex is a beautiful ____ of God, but it must be used _____.

J. Paul reminded them about the _______ behind his teaching.

K. We are told very clearly what God’s will is - that we should be ________.

L. Sanctification is the process of being _______ from sin and set apart for _____.

M. Any sexual activity that deviates from the monogamous relationship between a husband and wife is ______ by God’s ________.

N. New Testament teaching on sexual immorality extends beyond just the _______ _____ of immorality (Eph. 5:3; Col. 3:5; Mt. 5:27-28).

O. Whenever a person seeks to satisfy their sexual desires outside of God’s plan, they do so at the expense of ______ ________.

P. Paul finishes by answering the question: why should Christians _____ God’s command concerning sexual immorality?

Q. How does God want us to deal with sexual sin, or any other kind of sin?

R. Scripture warns us against treating sin like Tim Treadwell treated ______ (Prov. 6:27; Gal. 6:7-8).

