

# The Responses and Results to the Ministry God Honors 1 Thessalonians 2:13-16

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## A. The Ministry God Honors

1. A ministry centered on the Gospel: 1 Thess. 2:4, 8, 9, 1 Cor. 2:1-2
2. A ministry of sincerity: 1 Thess. 2:3, 4, 2 Cor. 5:6-10, Phil. 1:20-21
3. A ministry of stewardship: 1 Thess. 2:4, John 1:35-37, John 3:30
4. A ministry of Christ-like character: 1 Thess. 2:7-9; 11-12
5. A ministry of encouragement: 1 Thess. 2:12, Rom. 1:11-12

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## B. The Responses and Results to the Ministry God Honors

### 1. The Responses

- a. Reception of the Word of God  
1 Thess. 2:13a, John 1:12, 1 Cor. 15:1-4
- b. Hearing of the Word of God  
1 Thess. 2:13b, Rom. 10:14-17
- c. Accepting of the Word of God  
1 Thess. 2:13c, Rom. 1:18, 2 Tim. 3:16

### 2. The Results

- a. God's work in hearts (internal)  
1 Thess. 2:13, Heb. 4:12, 1 Peter 1:23
- b. God's work in lives (external)  
1 Thess. 2:14-16
  - Imitators of Christ-like conduct  
1 Thess. 1:6-7, Col. 1:3-6
  - Imitators of Godly suffering  
1 Thess. 2:14-16, 2 Tim. 3:10-13,  
Luke 21:10-19