

**HE'S COMING BACK – PART II**  
**“Graduate Level Care”**  
**1 Thessalonians 2:1-12**

There are times when we have to care for the people that God brings into our lives. Parents care for their children, friends care for friends, spouses care for each other, children may have to care for their parents, bosses must care for their employees and so on. Today's passage reveals how the apostle Paul and his team cared for the new believers in Thessalonica, which gives us many insights into how we can be more effective in caring for others.

**#1. CARING FOR PEOPLE REQUIRES \_\_\_\_\_,**  
**vv. 1-2**

- A. Paul reminds them of the results of his visit
- B. Paul reminds them of his beating in Philippi
- C. Paul reminds them he shared the gospel in opposition

**#2. CARING FOR PEOPLE REQUIRES BEING OUR \_\_\_\_\_**  
**\_\_\_\_\_, vv. 3-7**

- A. Paul is distancing himself from itinerate philosophers
- B. Paul had no error, impure motives, he wasn't a trickster
- C. Paul spoke with God's approval
- D. Paul wasn't: a flatter, money-taker, a people pleaser
- E. Paul could have used his apostolic authority
- F. Paul & his team were like young children among them

**#3. CARING FOR PEOPLE MAY REQUIRE PLAYING THE ROLE OF A \_\_\_\_\_,**  
**v. 7b**

- A. Paul had feelings like that of a mother toward them
- B. Paul had a sensitive, tender heart like a mother
- C. Paul treated them like spiritual infants

**#4. CARING FOR PEOPLE MAY REQUIRE PLAYING THE ROLE OF A \_\_\_\_\_,**  
**vv. 11-12**

- A. Paul saw himself as their spiritual father
- B. Paul mentored them in godly living
- C. Paul showed them the worthy life

**#5. CARING FOR PEOPLE REQUIRES \_\_\_\_\_ YOUR LIFE, v. 8**

- A. Paul “did life” with the Thessalonians
- B. Paul didn't preach and run
- C. Paul was in it for the long haul

**#6. CARING FOR PEOPLE REQUIRES BEING A \_\_\_\_\_ - NOT A \_\_\_\_\_,**  
**vv. 9-10**

- A. Paul & his team worked at tent makers
- B. Paul & his team didn't want to take money from them
- C. Paul & his team had integrity: holy, righteous & blameless

**ANSWERS:** Paying A Price, Genuine Self, Nurturing Mother, Mentoring Father, Sharing, Giver, Taker.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- #1. What conclusions can you make about Paul considering that he got beaten up in Philippi, then comes to Thessalonica and shares the gospel with them under strong opposition. (vv. 1-2) What price did Paul pay?
- #2. Why is it important to be your genuine self in your relationships with people?
- #3. In what way(s) was Paul trying to distance himself from the itinerate philosophers, sages, magicians, seers, etc.?
- #4. In what way(s) was Paul and his team conducting themselves like young children? (v. 7)
- #5. In what circumstances might we have to play the role of a nurturing mother?
- #6. In what circumstances might we have to play the role of a mentoring father?
- #7. Paul and his team shared not just the gospel but their lives with the Thessalonian believers. Why is this important?
- #8. Why is it important to be a giver when caring for people rather than a taker?
- #9. Why is it significant that Paul worked as a tent maker rather than asking them for money?
- #10. What is your takeaway from this teaching?

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*They tell us how you turned to God from idols to  
serve the living and true God, and  
to wait for his Son from heaven*

*I Thessalonians 1:9-10*

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **TODAY JULY 24TH**

Pastor Bruce is continuing his series through 1 Thessalonians. Today's message focuses on the importance of caring for people.

### **LUNCHEON AFTER CHURCH**

After the service, we are having a luncheon to welcome long-time Hillcrest members Ralph & Roberta Long. Good food and fellowship.

### **BBQ AFTER CHURCH AT PASTOR BRUCE'S HOUSE – July 31th**

Everyone is invited to Bruce & Carol's house after church for some food and fellowship. Bring a dish to share if you like, but it isn't required. 1961 Ambridge Dr., Roseville

### **ONLINE GATHERINGS**

Tuesday Prayer at 7:00pm, Wednesday Bible Study at 6:30pm  
Go to the online meeting room on our website  
(hillcrestRoseville.com) to access the gathering.

### **THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

Our offering box is in the back of the sanctuary. You can place your tithes and offerings there, or you can visit our website and give online (hillcrestroseville.com).

### **CHURCH PICNIC AUGUST 14<sup>th</sup>**

Church in the park at Garbolino. The church will provide meat, buns, condiments, water, and paper products. Everyone else can bring a dish to share. It will be a blast.

### **FACILITY UPGRADES – THE KITCHEN**

We will be replacing the kitchen sink, base cabinets, counter tops and apply a fresh coat of paint in the next few weeks. It will look great! If you want to contribute money to that write kitchen in the memo of your check.