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- *A saved church (1 Thess. 1:1)*
 - We know that it was made up of the saved because
 - They were “in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.”
 - This indicates “relationship.”
 - People get into this relationship by being baptized (Rom. 6:3-7; Gal. 3:27)



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 - Paul begins his letter by extending “grace and peace” (1 Thess. 1:1)



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 - **It was a working church (1 Thess. 1:3)**
They did what saved people do.
 - **Work of faith – they believed and they did!**
(Eph. 2:1; Titus 2:14; Jas. 2:14-17)
 - **Labor of love – they were motivated by love**
(Rev. 2:1-5)
 - **Patience of hope – endurance from hope (Rom. 8:18-25)**

