

SERMON NOTES

Sept. 6, 2009

“The Joy of Feeding Hungry Hearts”

(1 Thessalonians 2:1-12, 19-20)

- I. It is the joy of seeing lives changed.**
*(1 Thess. 1:9-10) ⁹For they themselves report about us what kind of a reception we had with you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve a living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for His Son from heaven, whom He raised from the dead, **that is Jesus**, who rescues us from the wrath to come.*

- II. It is the joy of deep satisfaction.**
(1 Thess. 2:8) Having so fond an affection for you, we were well-pleased to impart to you not only the gospel of God but also our own lives, because you had become very dear to us.

- III. It is the joy of pleasing our Heavenly Father.**
(1 Thess. 2:4) ...but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel, so we speak, not as pleasing men, but God who examines our hearts.

- IV. It is the joy that lasts forever.**
(1 Thess. 2:19-20) ¹⁹For who is our hope or joy or crown of exultation? Is it not even you, in the presence of our Lord Jesus at His coming? ²⁰For you are our glory and joy.