Text: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5a

 There's No Substitute for Legitimate <u>Love</u> Between <u>Christians</u> at Church

 There's No Substitute for Praying for Each Other and Being Grateful for Each Other

 There's No Substitute for Having Full Assurance that our Church is Full of **Authentic Christians**

¹ Thess. ^{1:1} Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

² We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers,

³ remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴ For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you,

⁵ because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction.

