Text: 1 Thessalonians 1:5b-10

•Respect and Learn from Godly Pastors with a Faith <u>Track Record</u>

Wanna Be Like Great Christians? <u>Do</u> and <u>Live Like They Do!</u>

•Churches and Christians Should Be Great Examples to Other Churches and Christians

•True Followers of Christ Have Turned from Idols (#1 is Self) to God

•True Followers of Christ Know God is the Only God, Period!

•True Followers of Christ Look Forward to Christ's Return (and Have True Assurance We Will Not Experience Hell)

1 Thess. 1:5bYou know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake.

⁶ And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit,

⁷ so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia.

⁸ For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything.

⁹ For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God,

¹⁰ and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

