



I THESSALONIANS

Part Nineteen: "Letting People Know That They Are Important To Us"

I Thessalonians 2:17

But we, brethren, being taken from you for a short time in presence, not in heart, endeavoured the more abundantly to see your face with great desire.

Paul Communicates His Emotions For The People

- 1) He addresses them as "brethren." *But we, brethren*
- 2) He tells them that it was not his plan to be away from them.
being taken from you for a short time
- 3) He tells them that they are always in his heart. *in presence, not in heart*
- 4) He tells them how hard he has tried to come see them.
endeavoured the more abundantly
- 5) He tells them that it would encourage him to see their faces. *to see your face*
- 6) He tells them that he has a great desire to see them. *with great desire*

How Paul Communicated This

- He addresses them as brethren:
- 1) Collectively.
 - 2) The men directly.
 - 3) Everyone equally.
 - 4) Intimately.

Preparation for Prayer

Hebrews 4:16 *Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.*