

Living in Light of
CHRIST'S RETURN

Studies in 1 Thessalonians

What Does It Mean to Be a Christian?

1 Thessalonians 1:4-8

Being a Christian means ...

- 1. You've been chosen by God.**
- 2. You've responded to the Gospel.**
- 3. You value Jesus more than earthly pleasures.**
- 4. Your life has been conspicuously changed by the power of God.**

2 Thessalonians 2:13

**“But we are bound to give thanks
alway to God for you, brethren
beloved of the Lord, because God
hath from the beginning chosen you
to salvation through sanctification of
the Spirit and belief of the truth:”**

Ephesians 1:4

“According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, ...”

John 6:44a

“No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him:”

1 Peter 2:9

“But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:”

Hebrews 11:24-25

“By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter; 25 Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season;”