

How to Become a Man of Integrity

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I Thessalonians 2:1-4 (NT page 159)

To Develop Integrity

1. We must be willing to _____ evil. (vs. 1,2)

¹For you yourselves know, brethren, that our coming to you was not in vain, ²but after we had already suffered and been mistreated in Philippi...

Boldness means "to grow _____; show assurance."

...as you know, we had the boldness in our God...

Opposition refers to "any _____ with dangers, annoyances or obstacles, standing in the way of faith, holiness, desire to spread the Gospel."

...to speak to you the gospel of God amid much opposition.

2. We must never _____ from the truth. (v. 3)

For our exhortation does not come from error or impurity or by way of deceit;

What Truth Isn't:

- Truth is not _____.
For our exhortation does not come from error...
- Truth is not _____.
...or impurity...
- Truth is not _____.
...or by way of deceit;

Truth is that which fits the facts of _____.

Three Fundamental Questions of Existence:

1. _____?
2. _____?
(Why is there so much evil in the world?)

3. _____?

How the Bible Answers These Questions:

1. How did I get here? _____
2. What went wrong? (Why is there so much evil in the world?) _____
3. How can it all get fixed? _____

<http://www.summit.org/resources/worldview-chart/>

3. Make pleasing God our highest priority. (v. 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.

- Make certain we have an _____ relationship with God.
...approved by God..
- Make God's _____ our own.
...to be entrusted with the gospel so we speak, not as pleasing men, but God who examines our hearts.
- Live your life to an audience of One.
...so we speak, not as pleasing men, but God who examines our hearts.