

SUNDAY MORNING

AN ENERGETIC CHURCH

2/11/2024

Sermon 2: **Living in Anticipation of the Coming of Christ**

Text: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-3

Theme: The Gospel lights a fire in the Christian and produces an energetic Church.

Greeting or salutation (vv. 1, 2)

1:3 Remembering without ceasing your ①work of faith, and ②labour of love, and ③patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God and our Father;

SALVATION CHANGES A LIFE

Descriptions of an energetic Church

I. Christians should display a work of faith (v. 3, 9)

Jam 2:26 For as the body without the spirit is dead, so **faith without works is dead** also.

II. Christians should display a labour of love (v. 3; 2:9; 3:5; 2 Thess 3:8)

Because of love they would labor to exhaustion

III. Christians should display a patience of hope (v. 3)

These Christians were willing to endure trials for the confident expectation of Christ

TONIGHT: Facing Our Fears ~ Psalm 34