

Instead, just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel, so we speak, not to please people, but rather God, who examines our hearts. For we never used flattering speech, as you know, or had greedy motives—God is our witness—and we didn't seek glory from people, either from you or from others.

## 1 THESSALONIANS 2:4-6, CSB

Have you ever allowed the opinions of others to keep you from sharing your faith with your *one*? Perhaps a perfect opportunity presents itself, and you feel the distinct nudge of the Holy Spirit. You may notice the other person's voice is muffled and tuned out because insecurities begin to flood your thoughts. "What will they think of me? What if I offend them with what I believe? Who am I to share this message, and what if they ask questions I don't know the answers to?" God has entrusted the message of the gospel to you, and perhaps this moment is one of the good works He has prepared in advance for you to walk in (Ephesians 2:10). It's almost impossible to obey God while trying to please people.

As you share the gospel this week, don't allow the temptation to seek the glory of others crowd out your boldness and faithfulness to share the message.