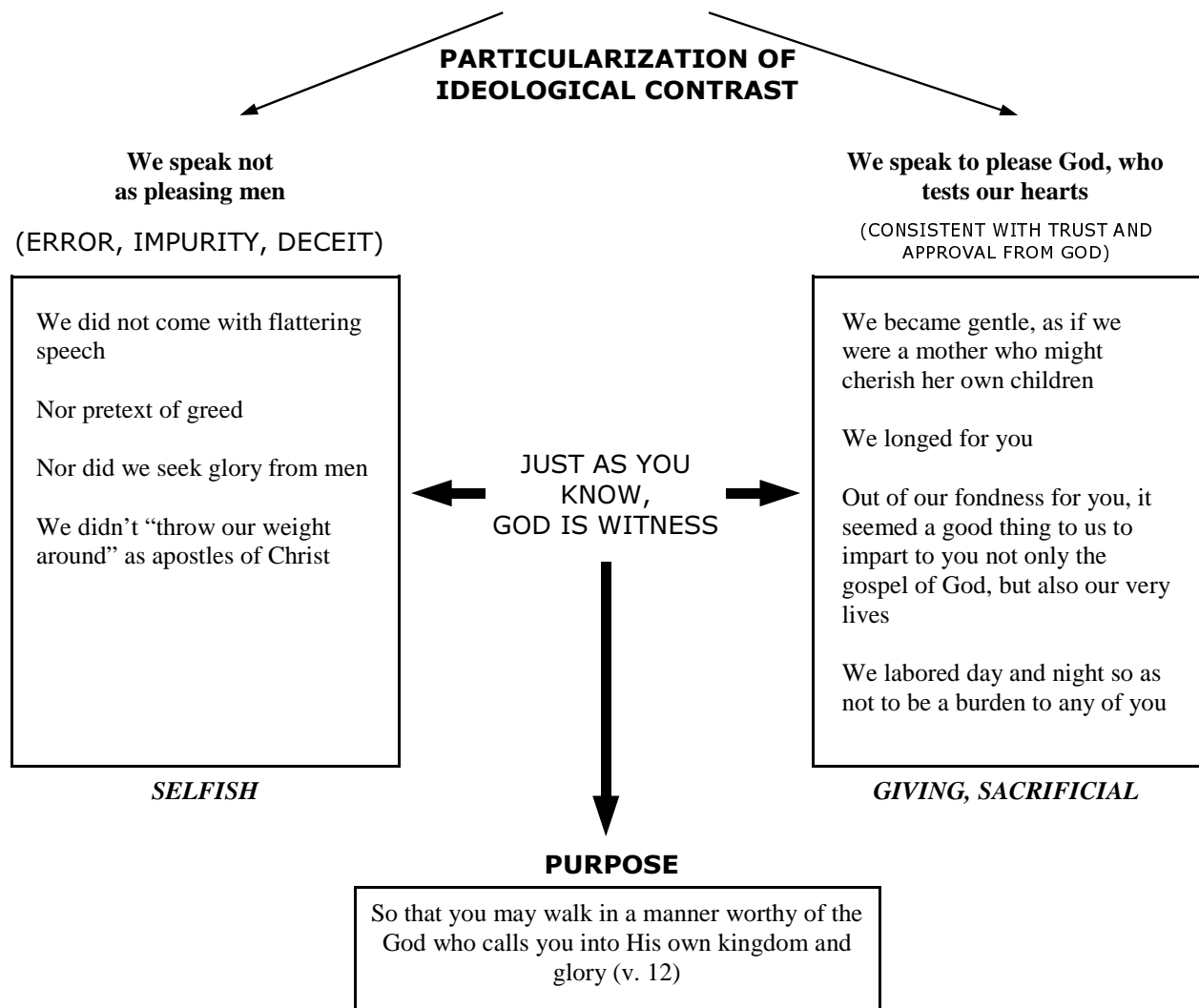


# Analysis of 1 Thessalonians 2:3-9

*A priori* statement: **Our exhortation does not come from error or impurity or by way of deceit. (v. 3)**

Contrast: **Rather, just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel, in this manner we speak. (v. 4)**

In other words, Paul is saying that their methodology of ministry *is consistent* with the trust they have been given from God.



## CONCLUSIONS

1. Man-pleasing ministry proceeds from IMPURITY, DECEIT, AND ERROR!
2. This isn't rhetoric/idealism. Paul repeatedly asserts that both God and the Thessalonians saw their holy conduct
3. Ministry that's in keeping with the trust we've received from God is ultimately for the sanctification and discipleship of others. It requires sacrifice, love, and a willingness to *labor!*

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