



Introduction

Who wrote it?

From where did they write it? Mark it on the map above.

Who was it written to?

What other pertinent biblical information do we know about this place?

What is the theme of the book?

II THESSALONIANS 1

1. Who wrote it?
2. How are the recipients addressed (3)?
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3. For what 2 reasons is Paul giving thanks for the Thessalonians at the beginning of the letter?
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4. What is causing Paul to boast of the Thessalonians to the other churches (2)?
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5. What does their patience and faith in persecutions prove about God?
6. It is a righteous thing for God to repay what to whom?
7. It is a righteous thing for God to give what to whom and when?
8. What will Jesus do when He appears with His angels?
9. Who will receive His vengeance?
10. How will they be punished?
11. What is God calling “everlasting destruction” here?
12. On that day that He comes, what will the saints and believers be doing (2)?
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13. What 5 things is Paul (and those with him) praying for the Thessalonians?

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Application

- In this chapter, we learn that the rest of the world sees how right God is in choosing you by the persecution you endure. Could it be that God would even send some persecution your way just to show the world that you are truly His?
- Pray the God would give you the courage to stand under all persecution, be it subtle or intense. Pray that God would bear the fruit of your endurance in it.

II THESSALONIANS 2

1. From the beginning of this chapter, Paul makes clear what this chapter is about. What is it about (note the words “gathering together” in the Greek are episunagoge, meaning “to synagogue upon”)?
2. There appears to be some trouble in the camp of the Thessalonians. They appear to have their faith a bit shaken. What have they been told that has really jilted them?
3. That day of gathering will not happen until 2 things take place. What are they (note: the word for “falling away” is apostasia, which literally means “to stand out from”)?
4. Write at least 5 things about the “man of lawlessness” according to these verses.
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5. Where will he make his throne?
6. Had the Thessalonians ever hear this information before?
7. What is restraining him?
8. What will Jesus do to take down this man of sin (2)? Does it look like a lengthy battle?
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9. Write down 5 more things about the man of sin.
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10. Why will people perish?

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11. We then read that “for this reason,” God sends a strong delusion. For what reason?

12. Write down 3 more things about those who are perishing

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13. So why is Paul so thankful?

14. What did God choose the Thessalonian saints for? When? Through what? By what (2)?

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15. Now, Paul hands out 2 commands. What are they?

16. What have Jesus and God the Father done by grace (3)?

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17. What 3 things is Paul wanting Jesus and God the Father to do for/to them?

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Application

- In this chapter, we read of those who are going to perish because they did not receive the love of the truth nor believe the truth; but rather, they took their pleasure in unrighteousness. Is there any area of your life that honestly takes pleasure in something you know to be unrighteous?
- Pray that God would increase your love for the truth.

II THESSALONIANS 3

1. Paul then asks for prayer for 3 things. What are they?

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2. What 2 things does Paul say here that God is faithful to do for us?

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3. What 2 things is Paul confident in the Lord concerning them?

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4. What 2 things does Paul want God to direct their hearts into?

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5. How are we commanded to deal with the brother who has made it his lifestyle to walk disorderly?

6. When Paul was there, what kind of example did his life give them?

7. Paul did this to give us this standard. If a man doesn't _____,

then he doesn't _____!

8. Remember how Paul commanded us to deal with the brother who is disorderly? He now takes the responsibility of defining what a disorderly person looks like. What do they do or not do?

9. So Paul commands 2 things from them. What?

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10. What command does he give to the general body there?

11. How are they to respond to those who do not obey this epistle (4)? To what end?

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12. What kind of peace does Paul want the Lord of Peace to give us?

13. What is a sign of authenticity on every Pauline epistle?

14. In light of this letter, why would this need to be stated

Application

- What does it mean in your life that the Lord is faithful to establish you and guard you from the evil one?
- Highlight the commands in this chapter and pray that God would make them a reality in your life.

