

## I Thessalonians (*Introduction*)

During Paul's second missionary journey, he visited Philippi in Macedonia. Timothy, Silas, and Luke were with him. After baptizing the Philippian jailer and Lydia, three of them moved on to Thessalonica. Luke didn't go with them. Some of the Thessalonians obeyed the gospel, but trouble soon broke out. The team had to move on. They went to Berea. The people of Berea were more fair-minded than the Thessalonians in that they studied more carefully to prove what Paul, Silas, and Timothy were teaching was indeed the truth. Many became Christians in Berea.

Paul thought it best to leave Silas and Timothy to work at Berea and keep a check on the new converts in Thessalonica while he moved on to Athens in Achaia.

Paul got a mediocre reception in Athens. He moved on to Corinth. He met Aquila and Priscilla. They were tent makers. Since Paul was also a tent maker, he worked with them. After a while, Silas and Timothy came from Macedonia to Achaia. They found Paul and gave him some good news! The church in Thessalonica was growing and thriving! After Paul's recent experience in Athens, this was wonderful news! He wrote this letter to the Thessalonians to express his joy over hearing about their faithfulness

Paul had only spent a short time in Thessalonica when he, Silas, and Timothy planted the church there. The Thessalonians had a lot of questions about Jesus' doctrine. In this letter, Paul included important doctrine they needed to know.

One question that weighed heavily on their minds concerned the second coming of Jesus. They were under the impression that Jesus would come back very soon. When their friends and relatives began to pass away, they thought they were going to miss His return. This seems naïve to us, but we must remember we've had the Bible for around 2,000 years! They were getting it "hot off the press"! Paul assured them that the "dead in Christ will rise first" and we who are alive will "be caught up together with them in the clouds". Paul explained that Jesus will come "as a thief in the night". It will be unexpected and totally unpredictable. That's why they should always watch. He warned them not to "fall asleep" while they were alive. If they "fell asleep" in death, they could rest assured they would live with Him!

This letter was received well but it caused some confusion in Thessalonica! They interpreted Paul's letter as saying Jesus' return was imminent! They thought Jesus was about to return in a few days! Paul heard about their misinterpretation and wrote a second letter soon after to clarify his teaching. We have that letter too (*II Thessalonians*).

# I Thessalonians Review

## Chapter 1

### Answer in a Few Words

1. What two other people did Paul send greetings from to the Thessalonians? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What did Paul say he always did for the Thessalonians? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Paul said he remembered the Thessalonians for their work of what? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Paul said he remembered the Thessalonians for their labor of what? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Paul said he remembered the Thessalonians for their patience of what? \_\_\_\_\_
6. The Gospel came to Thessalonica in word, but also in what other ways? \_\_\_\_\_
7. The Thessalonians received the word in much what? \_\_\_\_\_
8. What three areas did Paul say the Thessalonians were examples to? \_\_\_\_\_
9. What did the Thessalonians turn from to serve the living and true God? \_\_\_\_\_
10. Who were the Thessalonians waiting for? \_\_\_\_\_

### Fill in Blanks with Proper Words

1. "... grace be unto you, and \_\_\_\_\_, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ."
2. "We give \_\_\_\_\_ to God always for you all, making mention of you in our \_\_\_\_\_."
3. "Remembering without ceasing your work of \_\_\_\_\_, and labor of \_\_\_\_\_, and patience of \_\_\_\_\_ in our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God our Father;"
4. "Knowing, brethren beloved, your \_\_\_\_\_ of God."
5. "For our gospel came not unto you in \_\_\_\_\_ only, but also in \_\_\_\_\_; ..."
6. "... having received the word in much \_\_\_\_\_, with joy of the \_\_\_\_\_:"
7. "So that ye were \_\_\_\_\_ to all that believe in \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_."
8. "... not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in \_\_\_\_\_ place your \_\_\_\_\_ to God-ward is spread abroad; ..."
9. "... how ye turned to God from \_\_\_\_\_ to serve the \_\_\_\_\_ and true God;"
10. "And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he \_\_\_\_\_ from the dead, even \_\_\_\_\_, ..."

### Write "True" Or "False" In Blanks

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Silvanus and Timothy were mentioned with Paul in this letter to the Thessalonians
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul never prayed for the Thessalonians
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul remembered things about the Thessalonians "without ceasing"
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul wasn't sure about the "election" of the Thessalonians by God
5. \_\_\_\_\_ The Gospel came to the Thessalonians in word only
6. \_\_\_\_\_ It was easy for the Thessalonians to receive the word
7. \_\_\_\_\_ No one from Macedonia or Achaia really knew the Thessalonians
8. \_\_\_\_\_ The faith of the Thessalonians was spread abroad in every place
9. \_\_\_\_\_ The Thessalonians used to worship idols before they served the true God
10. \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus will come someday, but the Thessalonians didn't "wait" for him

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## Chapter 2

### Answer in a Few Words

1. Where was Paul “shamefully entreated”? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What was Paul and his companions put in trust of by God? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Did Paul seek the glory of men? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Paul was willing to not only give the Gospel to them but what else? \_\_\_\_\_
5. What did Paul receive from the Thessalonians for preaching to them? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Did Paul behave himself well among the Thessalonians? \_\_\_\_\_
7. What did God call the Thessalonians to in verse 12? \_\_\_\_\_
8. How often did Paul say he prayed for them? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Who did Paul say killed Jesus, their own prophets, and persecuted them? \_\_\_\_\_
10. Who hindered Paul from coming to the Thessalonians? \_\_\_\_\_

### Fill in Blanks with Proper Words

1. “For our \_\_\_\_\_ was not of deceit, nor of uncleanness, nor in guile:”
2. “But we were gentle among you, even as a nurse cherisheth her \_\_\_\_\_:”
3. “Ye are \_\_\_\_\_, and God also, how holily and justly and \_\_\_\_\_ we behaved ourselves among you that believe:”
4. “As ye know how we exhorted and \_\_\_\_\_ and charged every one of you, as a \_\_\_\_\_ doth his children,”
5. “... when ye received the word of \_\_\_\_\_ which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of \_\_\_\_\_, but as it is in truth, the word of \_\_\_\_\_, ...”
6. “Forbidding us to speak to the \_\_\_\_\_ that they might be saved,”
7. “But we, brethren, being taken from you for a short time in presence, not in \_\_\_\_\_, endeavoured the more abundantly to see your \_\_\_\_\_ with great desire.”
8. “Wherefore we would have come unto you, even I Paul, once and again; but \_\_\_\_\_ hindered us.”
9. “For what is our \_\_\_\_\_, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Are not even \_\_\_\_\_ in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at his \_\_\_\_\_?”
10. “For ye are our \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.”

### Write “True” Or “False” In Blanks

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul’s visit to the Thessalonians was worthless
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul had to flatter and trick the Thessalonians into believing
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul was not interested in the glory of men
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul didn’t care very deeply for the Thessalonians
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul worked night and day so they wouldn’t be chargeable to them
6. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul said the Thessalonians had suffered at the hands of their own countrymen
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul said of the Jews that “the wrath is come upon them to the uttermost”
8. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul had made no plans to visit the Thessalonians
9. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul said the Thessalonians were their “hope”, “joy”, and “crown”.
10. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul also said the Thessalonians were their “glory”.

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## Chapter 3

### Answer in a Few Words

1. Where was Paul left alone? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Who did Paul send to the Thessalonians? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What are we “appointed thereunto”? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What did Timothy bring from Thessalonica to Paul? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Who did Paul encourage the Thessalonians to “stand fast” in? \_\_\_\_\_
6. What two things did Paul pray for “night and day”? \_\_\_\_\_
7. What did Paul as God and Jesus to “direct”? \_\_\_\_\_
8. What did Paul ask the Lord to “increase and abound” among them? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Did Paul love the Thessalonians? \_\_\_\_\_
10. Who did Paul say would come? \_\_\_\_\_

### Fill in Blanks with Proper Words

1. “Wherefore when we could no longer \_\_\_\_\_, we thought it good to be left at Athens alone;”
2. “That no man should be moved by these \_\_\_\_\_: for yourselves know that we are \_\_\_\_\_ thereunto.
3. “For verily, when we were with you, we told you before that we should suffer \_\_\_\_\_; even as it came to pass, and ye know.”
4. “... lest by some means the \_\_\_\_\_ have \_\_\_\_\_ you, and our labour be in vain.”
5. “Therefore, brethren, we were \_\_\_\_\_ over you in all our affliction and distress by your faith:”
6. “For now we \_\_\_\_\_, if ye stand fast in the Lord.”
7. “For what thanks can we render to God again for you, for all the \_\_\_\_\_ wherewith we \_\_\_\_\_ for your sakes before our God;”
8. “Night and day praying exceedingly that we might see your \_\_\_\_\_, and might perfect that which is lacking in your \_\_\_\_\_?”
9. “And the Lord make you to increase and abound in \_\_\_\_\_ one toward another, and toward all \_\_\_\_\_, even as we do toward you:”
10. “To the end he may stablish your hearts \_\_\_\_\_ in holiness before God, even our Father, at the \_\_\_\_\_ of our Lord Jesus Christ with all his saints.”

### Write “True” Or “False” In Blanks

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul wanted to stay at Athens because he didn’t care about the Thessalonians
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul sent Timothy to Thessalonica
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul told the Thessalonians they would suffer
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul was worried that the “tempter” had “tempted” the Thessalonians
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul was sad when Timothy came back and gave his report
6. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul wanted to see the Thessalonians and they wanted to see him
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul was comforted by their faith
8. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul thanked God for the Thessalonians
9. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul thanked God for the “joy” that he had because of the Thessalonians
10. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul asked God and Jesus to “direct” his way back to the Thessalonians

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## Chapter 4

### Answer in a Few Words

1. Did Paul encourage the Thessalonians to please God? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What did Paul tell the Thessalonians to abstain from? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What did Paul tell them to “possess” in “sanctification and honor”? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What should no man do to his brother “in any matter”? \_\_\_\_\_
5. God has not called us to uncleanness but unto what? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Who has given unto us his Holy Spirit? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Did the Thessalonians love the brethren? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Jesus died and rose again, so what will God do for those asleep in Jesus? \_\_\_\_\_
9. When the Lord descends from heaven, who will rise first? \_\_\_\_\_
10. When the Lord returns, where will those who are alive meet him? \_\_\_\_\_

### Fill in Blanks with Proper Words

1. “For ye know what \_\_\_\_\_ we gave you by the Lord Jesus.”
2. “He therefore that despiseth, despiseth not \_\_\_\_\_, but \_\_\_\_\_, who hath also given unto us his holy Spirit.”
3. “And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own \_\_\_\_\_, and to work with your own \_\_\_\_\_, as we commanded you;”
4. “That ye may walk \_\_\_\_\_ toward them that are \_\_\_\_\_, and that ye may have lack of nothing.”
5. “But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are \_\_\_\_\_, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no \_\_\_\_\_.”
6. “For if we believe that Jesus died and \_\_\_\_\_ again, even so them also which \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus will God bring with him.”
7. “For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are \_\_\_\_\_ and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not \_\_\_\_\_ them which are asleep.”
8. “For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a \_\_\_\_\_, with the \_\_\_\_\_ of the archangel, and with the \_\_\_\_\_ of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:”
9. “Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the \_\_\_\_\_, to meet the Lord in the \_\_\_\_\_: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.”
10. “Wherefore \_\_\_\_\_ one another with these words.”

### Write “True” Or “False” In Blanks

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Once we have pleased God, we don’t have to do “more and more”
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Fornication should be abstained from
3. \_\_\_\_\_ It’s ok to defraud our brother in some things
4. \_\_\_\_\_ God will avenge those that do us wrong so we should not avenge them
5. \_\_\_\_\_ The Thessalonians loved the brethren so they didn’t have to do “more and more”
6. \_\_\_\_\_ As long as we treat Christians right it doesn’t matter how we treat non-Christians
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Paul said that we should show no sorrow when our loved ones die
8. \_\_\_\_\_ When our faithful loved ones die we have hope that they will live again
9. \_\_\_\_\_ When Jesus returns the living will be caught up in the clouds to meet Him in the air
10. \_\_\_\_\_ The coming of Christ is comforting to talk about

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## Chapter 5

### Answer in a Few Words

1. What did Paul compare the day of the Lord with? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What will folks be saying when sudden destruction comes upon them? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Paul told us not to “sleep” but to watch and be what? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What two things does putting on the “breastplate” involve us having? \_\_\_\_\_
5. What does putting on the “helmet” involve us having? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Whether we are “awake” or “asleep” when Jesus returns what will we do? \_\_\_\_\_
7. What should we do “very highly” to those who are “over” us? \_\_\_\_\_
8. What should we do to the “unruly”? \_\_\_\_\_
9. What should we do to the “weak”? \_\_\_\_\_
10. What should we do in “every thing”? \_\_\_\_\_

### Fill in Blanks with Proper Words

1. “For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden \_\_\_\_\_ cometh upon them, as travail upon a \_\_\_\_\_ with child; and they shall not escape.”
2. “Ye are all the children of \_\_\_\_\_, and the children of the \_\_\_\_\_: we are not of the \_\_\_\_\_, nor of \_\_\_\_\_.”
3. “For they that sleep sleep in the \_\_\_\_\_; and they that be drunken are drunken in the \_\_\_\_\_.”
4. “Wherefore \_\_\_\_\_ yourselves together, and \_\_\_\_\_ one another, even as also ye do.”
5. “And we beseech you, brethren, to know them which \_\_\_\_\_ among you, and are \_\_\_\_\_ you in the Lord, and \_\_\_\_\_ you;”
6. “See that none render evil for evil unto any man; but ever follow that which is good, both among \_\_\_\_\_, and to all \_\_\_\_\_.”
7. “Pray without \_\_\_\_\_.”
8. “Abstain from all \_\_\_\_\_ of evil.”
9. “... I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved \_\_\_\_\_ unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.”
10. “I charge you by the Lord that this \_\_\_\_\_ be read unto all the holy brethren.”

### Write “True” Or “False” In Blanks

1. \_\_\_\_\_ The day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Destruction will come upon some like “travail” on a woman with child
3. \_\_\_\_\_ For those who are not in darkness, the day of the Lord will not overtake as a thief
4. \_\_\_\_\_ God has appointed us to wrath, not to obtain salvation
5. \_\_\_\_\_ The coming of the Lord is “comforting” and will “edify” us when we talk about it
6. \_\_\_\_\_ We should be at peace among ourselves
7. \_\_\_\_\_ We should comfort the “feble-minded”
8. \_\_\_\_\_ We should do good to fellow believers, but we are not obligated to help others
9. \_\_\_\_\_ We should abstain from all “appearance” of evil
10. \_\_\_\_\_ We need to kiss each other each time we see each other