

Inductive Bible Study

2 Thessalonians, *NASB*

2 THESSALONIANS 1

CHAPTER THEME

¹ Paul and Silvanus and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God
our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

² Grace to you and peace from God the Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ.

³ We ought always to give thanks to God for
you, brethren, as is *only* fitting, because your
faith is greatly enlarged, and the love of
each one of you toward one another
grows *ever* greater;

⁴ therefore, we ourselves speak proudly of
you among the churches of God for
your perseverance and faith in the midst of
all your persecutions and afflictions which
you endure.

⁵ *This is* a plain indication of God's righteous
judgment so that you will be considered

worthy of the kingdom of God, for which
indeed you are suffering.

6 For after all it is *only* just for God to repay
with affliction those who afflict you,

7 and *to give* relief to you who are
afflicted and to us as well when the Lord
Jesus will be revealed from heaven with His
mighty angels in flaming fire,

8 dealing out retribution to those who do not
know God and to those who do not obey the
gospel of our Lord Jesus.

9 These will pay the penalty of eternal
destruction, away from the presence of the
Lord and from the glory of His power,

10 when He comes to be glorified in His saints
on that day, and to be marveled at among all
who have believed—for our testimony to
you was believed.

11 To this end also we pray for you always, that
our God will count you worthy of
your calling, and fulfill every desire
for goodness and the work of faith with
power,

12 so that the name of our Lord Jesus will be
glorified in you, and you in Him, according
to the grace of our God and *the* Lord Jesus
Christ.

2 THESSALONIANS 2

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- 1 Now we request you, brethren, with regard to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our gathering together to Him,
- 2 that you not be quickly shaken from your composure or be disturbed either by a spirit or a message or a letter as if from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come.
- 3 Let no one in any way deceive you, for *it will not come* unless the apostasy comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction,
- 4 who opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, displaying himself as being God.
- 5 Do you not remember that while I was still with you, I was telling you these things?
- 6 And you know what restrains him now, so that in his time he will be revealed.

7 For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only he who now restrains *will do so* until he is taken out of the way.

8 Then that lawless one will be revealed whom the Lord will slay with the breath of His mouth and bring to an end by the appearance of His coming;

9 *that is*, the one whose coming is in accord with the activity of Satan, with all power and signs and false wonders,

10 and with all the deception of wickedness for those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth so as to be saved.

11 For this reason God will send upon them a deluding influence so that they will believe what is false,

12 in order that they all may be judged who did not believe the truth, but took pleasure in wickedness.

13 But we should always give thanks to God
for you, brethren beloved by the Lord,
because God has chosen you from the
beginning for salvation through
sanctification by the Spirit and faith in the
truth.

14 It was for this He called you through our
gospel, that you may gain the glory of our
Lord Jesus Christ.

15 So then, brethren, stand firm and hold to the
traditions which you were taught,
whether by word *of mouth* or by letter from
us.

16 Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself and
God our Father, who has loved us and given
us eternal comfort and good hope by grace,

17 comfort and strengthen your hearts in every
good work and word.

2 THESSALONIANS 3

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- 1 Finally, brethren, pray for us that the word of the Lord will spread rapidly and be glorified, just as *it did* also with you;
- 2 and that we will be rescued from perverse and evil men; for not all have faith.
- 3 But the Lord is faithful, and He will strengthen and protect you from the evil *one*.
- 4 We have confidence in the Lord concerning you, that you are doing and will *continue* to do what we command.
- 5 May the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God and into the steadfastness of Christ.

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- 6 Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from every brother who leads an unruly life and not according to the tradition which you received from us.

7 For you yourselves know how you ought
to follow our example, because we did not
act in an undisciplined manner among you,
8 nor did we eat anyone's bread without
paying for it, but with labor and hardship
we *kept* working night and day so that we
would not be a burden to any of you;
9 not because we do not have the right *to this*,
but in order to offer ourselves as a model for
you, so that you would follow our example.
10 For even when we were with you, we used
to give you this order: if anyone is not
willing to work, then he is not to eat, either.
11 For we hear that some among you
are leading an undisciplined life, doing no
work at all, but acting like busybodies.
12 Now such persons we command and exhort
in the Lord Jesus Christ to work in quiet
fashion and eat their own bread.
13 But as for you, brethren, do not grow weary
of doing good.

14 If anyone does not obey our instruction in this letter, take special note of that person and do not associate with him, so that he will be put to shame.

15 *Yet* do not regard him as an enemy, but admonish him as a brother.

16 Now may the Lord of peace Himself continually grant you peace in every circumstance. The Lord be with you all!

17 I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand, and this is a distinguishing mark in every letter; this is the way I write.

18 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.