

Paul's Thanksgiving and Prayer – 2 Thessalonians 1:3-12

Topics:

Assurance, Benefits, Faith, Future, Heaven, Hell, Hope,
Judgment, Last Days, Perseverance, Rewards, Second Coming

Open It Questions

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B. What fictional or real-life person endured difficulties and trials on the way to eventual triumph?

Explore It Questions

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(1:3)

2. What was the reputation of the church at Thessalonica?
(1:4)

3. What difficulties was the church at Thessalonica
experiencing? (1:4)

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When? (1:6-7)

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Apply It Questions

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Adult Questions for LESSONMaker.

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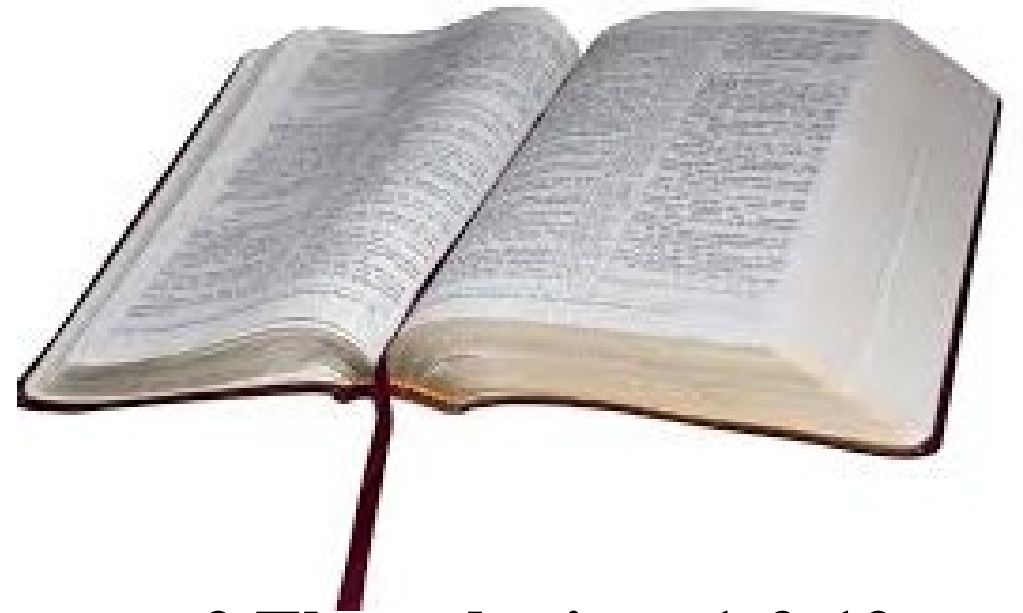
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“Paul’s Thanksgiving And Prayer”

PRAYER





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A few months earlier, Timothy had returned to check on the Thessalonian believers and had returned to Paul with the good news of their faith (1 Thessalonians 3:5-6).



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Paul had written 1 Thessalonians to express his great joy as well as to answer some questions. But some time had passed, and Paul had heard about some other problems in Thessalonica—the church was still facing persecution.



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The Problem—

False teachers were giving wrong information about the Second Coming, and some of the believers had stopped working in order to wait for Christ's return.



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¹² Then the name of our Lord Jesus will be honored because of the way you live, and you will be honored along with him. This is all made possible because of the grace of our God and Lord, Jesus Christ.



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In Case You Missed It--ANNOUNCEMENTS

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| 1. Women of Hope Bible Study
“Hearing the Voice of God” | Saturday, March 21, 2021 11:00am to 1:00pm
(See New Hope Website for Zoom Access Link) |
| 2. New Hope Bible Institute
“1, 2, 3, John” | Friday, March 26, 2021 6:30pm-8:30pm and
Saturday, March 27, 2021 8:30am – 4:30pm
(See New Hope Website to Pre-Register and receive Zoom Access Link) |
| 3. MEDCCE Annual Session Classes
“Bible Prophecy—Biblical
 Perspectives on What’s to Come”
(See New Hope website for link to
MEDCCE website to register for this or other classes) | April 13-15, 2021 6:00pm – 9:00pm each day |

PRAYER

