

Stand Firm - 2 Thessalonians 2:13-17

Topics: God, God's Will, Maturity, Perseverance, Spiritual Growth

Open It Questions

1. What causes many people to give up their plans for self-improvement (diet, exercise, etc.)?

2. What causes some people to lose their religious faith as they grow older?

3. If God could give you an audible word of encouragement, what would help you most?

Explore It Questions

4. For what reasons did Paul thank God for the Thessalonian believers? (2:13)

5. How did Paul describe God's role in our salvation? (2:13)

6. When did God choose the Thessalonian Christians for salvation?
(2:13)

7. What forces work for our salvation? (2:13)

8. Who calls people to salvation? (2:14)

9. For what reason did God call us to salvation? (2:14)

10. What encouragement did Paul give to the church? (2:15)

11. What media did Paul use to send instruction to the church at
Thessalonica? (2:15)

12. What impact did Paul want God to have on every believer in the church? (2:16)

13. What did Paul want God to encourage and strengthen in the Thessalonian believers? (2:17)

Get It Questions

14. How does God work in our lives even before we put our trust in Him?

15. How does God use other people to bring us to Him?

16. How has God changed you since you became a Christian?

17. What does it mean to stand firm as a Christian?

18. What teachings should a Christian hold on to as he or she lives for Christ?

19. How does God encourage us?

20. What does God do to strengthen us?

21. What weakens a person's relationship with God?

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Apply It Questions

23. What can you do this week to remind yourself every day what God has done for you?

24. In what area of your life would taking a firm stand for Christ benefit you this week?

25. When can you make time in your schedule this week to encourage another believer?

Adult Questions for LESSONMaker.

**New Hope Missionary Baptist Church
of Southfield, Michigan**

WELCOME TO BIBLE STUDY!

Wednesday, April 14, 2021



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- ☐ God's Will
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Having just painted the picture of a world taken over by evil, Paul now exhorts the believers to stand firm in their faith. Every passage in the New Testament about the Lord's return ends with ethical mandates, as found in this section and in chapter 3.



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SCRIPTURE



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**Saturday, April 17, 2021 @11:00am Women's Day
Kickoff! Women of Hope**

**Saturday, April 24, 2021 @6:00pm Quarterly Church
Meeting**

**Monday, April 19-22, 2021 @6:00pm – 9:00pm
Wolverine State Congress of Christian Education Workshop
“A Righteous Response to Adversity” – Virtual online
Course**

**Saturday, April 24, 2021 @6:00pm – Quarterly Church
Meeting**

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Brethren Pray For Us

2 Thessalonians 3:1-5

**Next Week's
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