

# SECOND THESSALONIANS

<p><b>Chapter 1</b></p> <p><b>Spiritual</b></p> <p>_____</p> <p><b>for the</b></p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>Chapter 2</b></p> <p><b>Biblical</b></p> <p>_____</p> <p><b>for the</b></p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>Chapter 3</b></p> <p><b>Practical</b></p> <p>_____</p> <p><b>for the</b></p> <p>_____</p>
<p>The Thessalonian Church is _____ and _____ for the kingdom of God. (1:4-5)</p>	<p>The Thessalonian Church is _____ and thinks that the “Day of the Lord” has already _____. (2:1-3)</p>	<p>Some in the Thessalonian Church are _____ and _____ refuse to _____. (3:11)</p>



## 2 Thessalonians

Sunday, February 28, 2016

*Sometimes one letter doesn't fix it all! Not long after his first letter, Paul writes a second quick letter to address three clear and ongoing issues. What he provides for the Thessalonians is what we all need . . .*

### I. Spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ . . . for the \_\_\_\_\_

- How does Paul spiritually \_\_\_\_\_?

Jesus is coming again with \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. (1:5-12)

### II. Biblical \_\_\_\_\_ . . . for the \_\_\_\_\_

- How does Paul biblically \_\_\_\_\_?

When the “Day of the Lord” comes, you’re going to know it because 3 things will happen:

1. Jesus will \_\_\_\_\_ “the man of lawlessness.” (2:8)
2. Jesus will \_\_\_\_\_ all those who reject the truth. (2:10-11)
3. Jesus will \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ all those who trust him. (2:13-17)

### III. Practical \_\_\_\_\_ . . . for the \_\_\_\_\_

- How does Paul practically \_\_\_\_\_?

1. Paul points them to his \_\_\_\_\_. (3:7-9)
2. He reminds them of his \_\_\_\_\_. (3:10-12)
3. He counsels them to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ from those who continue in sin. (3:6, 14)



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### Connecting Together

In this 8th week of Winter Growth Groups, take time to share your joys and struggles with one another. Like the Thessalonians, may our love for one another increase (2 Thessalonians 1:3).

### Studying God's Word Together

1. The book of Second Thessalonians is short enough to read together as a group, so GO FOR IT! What truths jump out of the text and/or message for you? What was most challenging or new?
2. Having read the text, can you see/recall the 3 issues that Paul writes this letter to address?
3. Paul addresses these issues with 3 things all Christians need continually: Spiritual Encouragement, Biblical Instruction and Practical Correction.
  - Which has been most common in your Christian growth and why?
  - Which has been most lacking and why?
  - Which do you need most right now and why?
  - How can you practically get more of what you need?

4. Second Thessalonians is pretty strong on the future judgement. How is that for you? Comforting or disturbing? Why is it valuable to contemplate these truths as part of a balanced diet of biblical teaching?
5. Second Thessalonians is pretty strong on the value and importance of work. Is this at all relevant or practical for our church today?

### Household/Family Focus: for discussion in your household

Review the structural chart of Second Thessalonians together as a household. Discuss the three things that Paul provides for the Thessalonians and how your household is doing in each. (After all, our homes are meant to be mini churches!)

### Prayer

There are a bunch of little prayers in Second Thessalonians (1:3-4, 1:11-12, 2:13-17, 3:5, 3:16). Read them quickly together and use them as a springboard for praying for one another.