

# Bethel Bible Series

## 1 & 2 Thessalonians

### NT Study 13

*Paul's letters are models of how to treat others:  
You must first establish a common ground for the relationship. - PK*

Welcome

Opening - What are the three elements of faith and why are each important?  
Prayer Requests and Opening Prayer

### **Review of Last Week - Faith**

Benefits of Faith (*Hebrews 11*) - Through faith:

We receive the greatest blessing of eternal salvation  
Faith is credited as righteousness, Enoch did not experience death  
Understanding is enlarged  
The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge  
Blessings are given  
Rewards, sins are forgiven, requests granted, nothing is impossible  
Divine Responsibilities are accepted  
Abel's better sacrifice, Noah built ark, Abram went and Abraham offered Isaac  
God's Plan is understood  
Patriarchs saw promises, Isaac and Jacob blessed sons, Joseph told of exodus  
Persecution is tolerated  
Moses chose mistreatment as an Israelite, Others were tortured, stoned  
Fear and Frustration are calmed  
Moses' parents, Moses left Egypt and kept the Passover, we have peace  
Miracles are produced  
Healing, Abraham became a father, Red Sea was crossed, Jericho walls fell  
Victories are won  
Faith of judges, kings and prophets

What is Faith?

Hebrews 11:1

*Faith* - Picture Concepts

*Three Hands*  
*Notitia*  
*Assensus*  
*Fiducia*

*Dead Wreath by Notitia*  
*Dead Wreath by Assensus*  
*Flowered Wreath by Fiducia*  
*White Flowers on Wreath*

*Spiral of light around upper hand*

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### Lesson - 1 & 2 Thessalonians

#### Thessalonica

Capital of Roman province of Macedonia (Northeastern Greece)  
Important naval base and commercial harbor town  
On *Via Egnatia*, the main road connecting Rome to the East

#### God Sends Paul to Thessalonica

Why did Paul head to Troas instead of west to Asia or north to Bithynia on his second journey?

Acts 16:6-8

Why did Paul go to Europe instead of circling back through Asia after reaching Troas?

Acts 16:9-10

Did Paul know where he was going?

Acts 16:11-12

What happened to Paul in the Roman colony of Philippi?

Acts 16:14, 18, 23

Where did Paul go after the leaders learned he was a Roman citizen and released him?

Acts 16:40-17:1

#### God Works Through Paul in Thessalonica

How was Paul and the gospel received in Thessalonica?

Acts 17:2-4

How did the Thessalonian Jews who didn't believe try to stop Paul?

Acts 17:5-9

#### God Sends Paul Further

What did Paul do when he found that his presence could hinder the gospel in Thessalonica?

Acts 17:10-12

Was the 50-mile distance to Berea far enough to stop the trouble in Thessalonica?

Acts 17:13-15

Where did Paul go after Athens and how was he updated on the situation in Thessalonica?

Acts 18:1, 5, 11

#### Paul and the Thessalonians

How did Paul feel about leaving Thessalonica so soon after starting work there?

1 Thessalonians 2:17-18

What did Paul do to help strengthen and encourage the baby Thessalonian Christians?

1 Thessalonians 3:1-5

What did Paul learn from Timothy's visit?

1 Thessalonians 3:6-8

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### First Thessalonians

*Banner and Two Quills*

*First Quill*

Paul Praises the Thessalonians

*Quill is Red*

1 Thessalonians 1:2-3

1 Thessalonians 1:7-8

1 Thessalonians 2:1-2; 1:6

1 Thessalonians 2:14-16

Four Problems Addressed

1 Thessalonians 2:3-8 (3-13)

1 Thessalonians 4:3-5 (3-8)

1 Thessalonians 4:11-12

1 Thessalonians 5:12-13

Admonition to Work

*Figures Laying Stone Blocks*

Philippians 3:20

1 Thessalonians 2:9

1 Thessalonians 4:11-12

1 Thessalonians 5:14

The Dead in Christ

*Grave*

1 Thessalonians 4:13-14

1 Thessalonians 4:15-18

Second Coming of Christ

*Figure Looking Upward*

1 Thessalonians 5:1-3

1 Thessalonians 5:4-11



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### Second Thessalonians

*Second Quill*

Occasion of the Letter

*Quill is Blue*

2 Thessalonians 2:1-2

Events Preceding Christ's Second Coming

*Throne and Serpent*

2 Thessalonians 2:3

2 Thessalonians 2:4

2 Thessalonians 2:9-10

Timing of Christ's Second Coming

*Sundial*

2 Thessalonians 2:6-8

Admonition to Work

*Shovel and Trowel*

2 Thessalonians 3:11-12

2 Thessalonians 3:7-10

2 Thessalonians 3:6, 14-15

### Summary

*Banner and Two Quills*

*First Quill*

*Quill is Red*

*Figures Laying Stone Blocks*

*Grave*

*Figure Looking Upward*

*Second Quill*

*Quill is Blue*

*Throne and Serpent*

*Sundial*

*Shovel and Trowel*

Closing Prayer

Distribute Materials

Next Week - 1 & 2 Corinthians