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2 Thessalonians

The Day of the Lord

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RE-CAP of 1 Thessalonians

1 Thess 1:9-10

..for they themselves report what kind of reception you gave us. They tell how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, ***and to wait for his Son from heaven***, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.

1 Thess 4:13-18

Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death, so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope. For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him. According to the Lord's word, we tell you that we who are still alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.



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Background of 2 Thessalonians

- Closely linked to the 1st letter written by Paul around 51AD
- Follow-up letter written 3 - 6 months of the 1st letter
- HOWEVER, while these Christians looked forward with Paul to Christ coming, there were still confusions & uncertainties. Paul only spent a couple of months in their city
- With this letter Paul attended to clear up confusion about the RETURN OF JESUS (THE DAY OF THE LORD) which he taught on in the 1st Thessalonians
- 38% of the versus deals with eschatology (End times)



Theme of the Book - ESCATOLOGY

Eschatology is a part of theology concerned with the final events of history, or the ultimate destiny of humanity. Commonly referred to as "the end of the world" or "end times"

- **2 Thess 1:7b** *Jesus will be revealed from heaven*



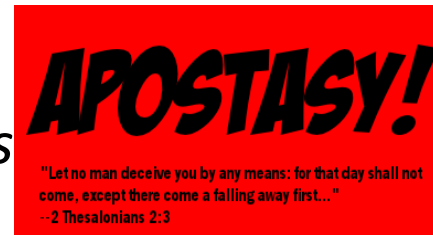
- **2 Thess 2:1** *..coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our gathering together with Him*



- **2 Thess 2:3** *BUT before - apostacy comes*



- **2 Thess 2:3b** *Then the man of lawlessness, the son of destruction*



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Paul Addresses 3 Issues



encourage the believers in their steadfastness under persecution



correct their misunderstanding about the imminence of the Lord's return



The issue of idleness



Encouragement In Persecutions (2 Thes 1:3-12)

- 1. Thankful For Their Spiritual Growth ([2 Thes 1:3-4](#))**
 1. Thanking God for their growing faith and abounding love ([2 Thes 1:3](#))
 2. Boasting to others of their patience and faith in all their persecutions ([2 Thes 1:4](#))
- 2. Encouragement In Trials In View Of The Lord's Return ([2 Thes 1:5-10](#))**
 1. Suffering will make them worthy of the kingdom of God ([2 Thes 1:5](#))
 2. God will repay those who trouble them ([2 Thes 1:6](#))
 3. This will occur when Jesus is revealed from heaven ([2 Thes 1:7-10](#))
- 3. His Prayer For Them ([2 Thes 1:11-12](#))**
 1. That God would count them worthy of their calling ([2 Thes 1:11a](#))
 2. That God would fulfill all the good pleasure of His goodness and the work of faith with power ([2 Thes 1:11b](#))
 3. That the name of Jesus might be glorified in them, and they in Him, according to the grace of God and Christ ([2 Thes 1:12](#))



Enlightenment About The Coming of The Lord (2th 2:1-17)

1. Do Not Be Troubled ([2 Thess 2:1-2](#))

1. Concerning the coming of the Lord and our gathering to Him ([2 Thess 2:1](#))
2. By false reports, as though the day had come ([2 Thess 2:2](#))

2. The Apostasy Must Come First ([2 Thess 2:3-12](#))

1. A falling away must occur, and the man of sin revealed ([2 Thess 2:3-5](#))
2. The man of sin is being restrained, though the mystery of lawlessness is already at work ([2 Thess 2:6-7](#))
3. When the lawless one is revealed, the Lord will destroy him with His coming ([2 Thess 2:8](#))
4. The coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan, and will mislead those who do not have a love for the truth ([2 Thess 2:9-12](#))

3. Steadfastness Encouraged ([2 Thess 2:13-17](#))

1. Thankful to God for their election through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in truth, having been called by the gospel to obtain glory ([2 Thess 2:13-14](#))
2. A call to stand fast and hold to the traditions taught by word or epistle ([2 Thess 2:15](#))
3. Prayer for their comfort and establishment in every good word and work ([2 Thess 2:16-17](#))



A Charge To Discipline The Disorderly (2 Thes 3:6-15)

1. To withdraw from those who do not follow apostolic tradition and example ([2 Thess 3:6-9](#))
2. Especially those who will not work ([2 Thess 3:10-12](#))
3. Don't grow weary in doing good, and avoid those who do not obey the words of the epistle ([2 Thess 3:13-15](#))



2 Thessalonians 2:15-17

**So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast
to the teachings we passed on to you, whether by
word of mouth or by letter**

**May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father,
who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal
encouragement and good hope, encourage your hearts
and strengthen you in every good deed and word.**



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THANK YOU