

The Second Epistle of Paul the Apostle to the
Thessalonians

¹ Paul and Silvanus and Timothy,
To the assembly of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus
Christ.

² Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

³ We are obligated to be giving thanks to God always concerning you, brethren,
just as it is proper, because your belief is growing exceedingly and the devotion of each
one of you all for one another is increasing, ⁴ so that we ourselves are boasting of you in
the assemblies of God over your perseverance and belief in all your persecutions and
afflictions which you are enduring, ⁵ a demonstration of the righteous judgment of God,
toward your being counted entirely worthy of the kingdom of God, in behalf of which
you also are suffering, ⁶ since it is a righteous thing with God to repay with affliction
those afflicting you, ⁷ and with relief to you, those being afflicted along with us, at the
revelation of the Lord Jesus from heaven, along with messengers of His power, ⁸ in fire of
flame, taking vengeance on those not having known God, and on those not obeying the
good message of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁹ such as will pay the penalty of punishment:
everlasting destruction from the face of the Lord and from the glory of His might, ¹⁰ when
He comes in that day, to be glorified among His holy ones and to be the object of
amazement among all those having believed, because our testimony to you was believed.
¹¹ For which we also are praying always concerning you, so that our God may count you
worthy of the calling, and may fill all good pleasure of goodness and the work of belief in
power, ¹² in order that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in
Him, according to the grace of our God and Lord Jesus Christ.

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¹ But we are asking you, brethren, over the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and
our gathering together to Him, ² toward your not being quickly shaken from the mind, nor
to be distressed, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as if from us that the day of
the Christ has come. ³ Don't let anyone delude you in any manner; because it can't come
unless the apostasy come first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of destruction, ⁴ the
one opposing and exalting himself over everything being said to be a god or an object of
worship, in order that he sits in the temple of God, as God, displaying himself that he is
God. ⁵ Aren't you remembering that, yet being with you, I was telling you these things?
⁶ And now, you have known what is holding down toward his being revealed in his own
time. ⁷ For the secret of lawlessness is already operating, only there is he holding down
now, until he comes from the midst. ⁸ And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom
the Lord will consume with the breath of His mouth and will nullify by the appearing of
His coming. ⁹ The coming of the lawless one is according to the operation of Satan, in all
power, and signs, and wonders of lying, ¹⁰ and in all deception of the unrighteousness
among those being destroyed because they didn't receive the devotion of the truth for

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them to be saved. ¹¹ And for this reason God is sending to them an operation of wandering, toward their believing the lie, ¹² so that they all might be judged, those not having believed the truth, but having taken good pleasure in the unrighteousness.

¹³ But we ought to give thanks to God always concerning you, brethren having been loved by the Lord, because God selected you from the beginning for salvation in consecration of the Spirit and for belief in truth, ¹⁴ to which He called you through our good message for the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵ So then, brethren, stand and hold the traditions which you were taught, whether by word or by our letter.

¹⁶ Now our Lord Jesus Christ Himself and our God and Father, Who is devoted to us and gives us everlasting encouragement and good expectation in grace, ¹⁷ encourage your hearts and stabilize you in every good word and work.

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¹ Finally, pray, brethren, concerning us, so that the word of the Lord may be running and may be glorified, just as also with you, ² and so that we may be delivered from the evil and wicked men; for not all hold the faith. ³ But the Lord is faithful, Who will stabilize and guard you from the evil one. ⁴ And we have been persuaded in the Lord about you, that the things which we are commanding to you you are both doing and will do.

⁵ Now may the Lord direct your hearts into the devotion to God and into the endurance of the Christ.

⁶ Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to send away from you every brother walking out of order and not according to the tradition which they received from us. ⁷ For you yourselves have known how it is necessary to be imitating us. For we were not out of order among you, ⁸ nor did we eat bread free of charge from anyone, but in toil and labor, night and day we were working so as not to be a burden to any of you; ⁹ not because we do not have authority, but so that we might give ourselves to you as an example, so that you might imitate us. ¹⁰ For also when we were with you we were commanding you this: that if anyone is not willing to be working, neither shall he be eating! ¹¹ For we are hearing that some are walking out of order among you, not working, but going about as busybodies. ¹² And to those who are such we are commanding and encouraging through our Lord Jesus Christ so that, working with quietness, they might eat their bread. ¹³ And you, brethren, do not be discouraged doing good. ¹⁴ Now if anyone is not obeying our word through this letter, mark this one, and do not mingle with him, so that he may be embarrassed. ¹⁵ And yet, do not consider him as an enemy, but warn him as a brother.

¹⁶ Now may the Lord of peace Himself give you the peace through all things, in all ways. The Lord is with you all.

¹⁷ The greeting is by my hand – “Paul” – which is a sign in every letter; so I write.

¹⁸ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ is with you all. Amen.