

# LETTERS TO THE Thessalonians

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DED FORTH, NOT ONLY IN MACEDONIA AND ACHAIA, BUT  
EVERY PLACE. YOUR FAITH TOWARD GOD HAS GONE OUT,  
WE DO NOT NEED TO SAY ANYTHING. 9 FOR THEY  
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YOU, AND HOW YOU TURNED TO GOD FROM IDOLS TO SERVE  
NG AND TRUE GOD, 10 AND TO WAIT FOR HIS SON FROM  
WHOM HE RAISED FROM THE DEAD, EVEN JESUS WHO  
US FROM THE WRATH TO COME.

SILVANUS, AND TIMOTHY,

CHURCH OF THE THESSALONIANS IN GOD THE FATHER AND  
JESUS CHRIST:

AND PEACE {A}FROM GOD OUR FATHER AND THE LORD  
CHRIST.

GOOD EXAMPLE

WE THANKS TO GOD ALWAYS FOR YOU ALL, MAKING MENTION  
IN OUR PRAYERS, 3 REMEMBERING WITHOUT CEASING YOUR

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SUS CHRIST IN THE SIGHT OF OUR GOD AND FATHER, 4

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DID NOT COME TO YOU IN WORD ONLY, BUT ALSO IN POWER,  
THE HOLY SPIRIT AND IN MUCH ASSURANCE, AS YOU KNOW

OF MEN WE WERE AMONG YOU FOR YOUR SAKE. 6 BECAUSE  
I BECAME FOLLOWER OF YOU AND OF THE LORD, HAVING

THE WORD IN MUCH AFFLICTION, WITH JOY OF THE HOLY  
7 SO THAT YOU BECAME EXAMPLES TO ALL IN MACEDONIA

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10 YOU ARE WITNESSES, AND GOD ALSO, HOW DEVOUTLY  
JUSTLY AND BLAMELESSLY WE BEHAVED OURSELVES AMONG  
BELIEVE; 11 AS YOU KNOW HOW WE EXHORTED, AND COMFO  
AND {C}CHARGED EVERY ONE OF YOU, AS A FATHER DOES  
CHILDREN, 12 THAT YOU WOULD WALK WORTHY OF GOD WHO  
YOU INTO HIS OWN KINGDOM AND GLORY.

THEIR CONVERSION

13 FOR THIS REASON WE ALSO THANK GOD WITHOUT  
BECAUSE WHEN YOU RECEIVED THE WORD OF GOD WHICH YOU

2 FOR YOU YOURSELVES KNOW, BRETHERN, THAT OUR  
YOU WAS NOT IN VAIN. 2 BUT {A}EVEN AFTER WE HAD S

BEFORE AND WERE SPITEFULLY TREATED AT PHILIPPI,  
KNOW, WE WERE BOLD IN OUR GOD TO SPEAK TO YOU THE

OF GOD IN MUCH CONFLICT. 3 FOR OUR EXHORTATION DID NOT  
FROM ERROR OR UNCLEANNESS, NOR WAS IT IN DECEIT.

4 BUT AS WE HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY GOD TO BE ENTRUSTED  
THE GOSPEL, EVEN SO WE SPEAK, NOT AS PLEASING MEN,  
WHO TESTS OUR HEARTS. 5 FOR NEITHER AT ANY TIME DID

FLATTERING WORDS, AS YOU KNOW, NOR A {B}CLOAK OF  
COVETOUSNESS—GOD IS WITNESS. 6 NOR DID WE SEEK GLO

RY, EITHER FROM YOU OR FROM OTHERS, WHEN WE MIGHT  
MADE DEMANDS AS APOSTLES OF CHRIST. 7 BUT WE WERE O

AMONG YOU, JUST AS A NURSING MOTHER CHERISHES HER  
CHILDREN. 8 SO, AFFECTIONATELY LONGING FOR YOU, WE

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BUT ALSO OUR OWN LIVES, BECAUSE YOU HAD BECOME DEAR

TO US. 9 FOR YOU REMEMBER, BRETHERN, OUR LABOR AND TOIL  
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WEEK OF JUNE 7, 2026

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WE LIVE READY FOR THE "DAY OF THE LORD"

SPEAKER: PASTOR MIKE BURNETTE

### ICEBREAKER

WHERE IS YOUR FAVORITE SUMMER VACATION SPOT?



LIVE READY FOR THE SUDDEN RETURN OF JESUS!

*Read 1 Thessalonians 5:1-3*

- *Paul reminds us that we do not know the day or hour of Christ's return. What does it look like to live ready for Jesus today rather than trying to predict when He will return?*
- *What are some ways believers can become spiritually complacent during comfortable seasons of life, and how can we guard against that?*

LET US WALK AND LEAD OTHERS IN THE LIGHT

*Read 1 Thessalonians 5:4-7*

- *Pastor Mike reminded us that, in Christ, we are children of the light. Are there any areas of darkness, compromise, or hidden struggles that need to be brought into the light and surrendered to God?*
- *Are others able to see the Gospel through the way you live? What is one way you can more intentionally reflect Christ to those around you this week?*

SINCE WE ARE... LET US THEN...

*Read 1 Thessalonians 5:8-11*

- *Since you belong to Christ and have the help of the Holy Spirit, how can you more intentionally live out your faith in your family, workplace, church, or community this week?*

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## ACT ON IT



### ENCOURAGE

In a world that depends on temporary peace let us remember that we have access to the permanent peace of the Holy Spirit, and we are children of the light. Let us say to ourselves “I am not in the dark and I WILL reject the darkness of sin and live close to Jesus.” Let us stay awake to the things of God, let us walk and lead others to the light and let us live to anticipate His return.



### ASK

The reality is that Jesus is going to come back for His Church, and no one knows the day or the hour of His return — not even the Son, but only the Father. Are you living ready for the sudden return of Jesus Christ?



### CHALLENGE

We are called to be the light in the darkness and spread the Gospel to everyone. Wherever you are in your walk with God, you are called to share the gospel. Can you think of 3-5 people in your life right now that need Jesus? Write down their names this week and start praying for the opportunity to share the good news with them!

## PRAYER

Hallelujah, Lord! I am a child of the Light! Thank you for encouraging me to walk in the light and be free from all darkness. I'm grateful for your grace & mercy when I fall short — and prompting me to to repentance, when I do. You are so loving, and I feel your love daily as I prepare for your return. Lord, I believe in you and in the blessed hope of your return. As one of your children, my light represents you and shines brightly, creating a pathway for others to find hope in you as well. Please help me be a great representative of you and the love you provide to each one of us.

Finally, I pray that I will be found faithful when you return. Amen.