

Christ Returns & Stand Firm

1 & 2 Thessalonians

Name _____ Date _____

Read & think

READ IN ORDER

1. 1 Thessalonians 1-5

2. 2 Thessalonians 1-3

MAIN POINTS

- The Thessalonians received the word in affliction with joy, turned from idols, and became an example of faith, love, and hope (1 Thessalonians 1).
- Paul's truthful, gentle labour and Timothy's strengthening visit show pastoral care aimed at helping believers stand fast (1 Thessalonians 2-3).
- Pleasing God includes sanctification, increasing brotherly love, quiet conduct, and work done faithfully (1 Thessalonians 4:1-12).
- The promised resurrection and gathering comfort grieving believers, while the Day of the Lord calls children of light to watch and edify one another (1 Thessalonians 4:13-5:11).
- Growing faith and love amid tribulation belong with standing fast in truth rather than being shaken by deceptive claims (2 Thessalonians 1-2).
- Prayer, quiet work, perseverance in doing good, and correction that still treats a person as a brother shape faithful community life (2 Thessalonians 3).

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

1. The Thessalonians received the word in affliction with joy and became examples to other believers. How can a church's faith, love, and hope become visible during hardship?

1 Thessalonians 1:3-8

2. Paul tells grieving believers not to sorrow as others who have no hope, then describes resurrection and reunion with the Lord. What kind of comfort does the passage actually give?

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3. First Thessalonians 5:16-18 joins rejoicing, continual prayer, and thanksgiving. Which practice is hardest for you now, and what deliberate rhythm could help you obey it this week?

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MEMORY VERSE / 1 Thessalonians 4:16

Paul is comforting believers about those who sleep in Jesus. After pointing to Jesus' death and resurrection, he says the Lord will descend and the dead in Christ will rise first (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18).

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For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel and with God's trumpet. The dead in Christ will rise first,

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For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

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Main verse _____ Bonus verse(s) _____

Passage or verse _____

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ONE THING TO PUT INTO PRACTICE

PRAYER
