

OUTLINE OF 2ND THESSALONIANS

Chapter 1: God's Righteous Retribution.

- I. Address and greeting; 1:1-2.
- II. Thanks for their faith and love; 1:3-4.
- III. God's righteous retribution; 1:5-10.
- IV. Prayer for God's blessings; 1:10-11.

Chapter 2: The Man of Sin.

- I. Paul's entreaty about the Lord's coming; 2:1-3.
- II. The man of sin; 2:3-12.
- III. Thanksgiving for God's choice of the Thessalonians; 2:13-15.
- IV. Prayer that they might be established; 2:16-17.

Chapter 3: Withdraw From Idlers.

- I. Request for prayers; 3:1-2.
- II. Expressions of confidence; 3:3-5.
- III. Withdraw from idlers; 3:6-15.
- IV. Prayer for peace; 3:16
- V. Conclusion; 3:17-18.

QUESTIONS OVER THE INTRODUCTION:

1. What evidence is found in the epistles of Paul that prove the epistles were written from him?

2. What is the date and place of the writing of 2nd Thessalonians?

3. What 3 basic problems are discussed in this epistle?

4. Outside of the letters of 1st and 2nd Thessalonians, can you find other scriptures that indicate that Paul, Silas, and Timothy were together at Corinth when these letters were written?

QUESTIONS OVER CHAPTER 1:

1. What 2 things did Paul thank God for in regards to the Christians at Thessalonica?
2. In verse 4, we read the term “churches of God” used to describe the church. See how many other terms you can find in the New Testament that parallel this term regarding the church. (Be prepared to discuss what these terms indicate about the church.)
3. What does Paul say will happen to Athiests and unbelievers in this chapter?
4. How is the “name of the Lord Jesus Christ” glorified in Christians?

QUESTIONS OVER CHAPTER 2:

1. TRUE or FALSE ? Paul taught the Thessalonians that the 2nd coming of Jesus was just around the corner.
2. What does the phrase “at hand” usually mean when it is found in the Bible? (Find 3 other places where this phrase is used in the Bible.)
3. Who or what do you think is being talked about in regard to the “man of sin” being discussed in this chapter?
4. What will happen to people who “do not love the truth?”
5. What is the difference between the “traditions” that Paul is discussing in verse 15 and the “traditions of men?”

QUESTIONS OVER CHAPTER 3:

1. What does Paul mean when he says that the “Lord is faithful?” (Find other scriptures in the N.T. that talk

