

2 Thessalonians

Thanksgiving (1:3-4) <i>Hope: Judgment on Day of the Lord</i> (1:5-10)	<i>Hope: Signs of the Day of the Lord</i> (2:1-12) Thanksgiving (2:13-15)	<i>Love: Rebuke the Idle</i> (3:6-15)
Prayer (1:11-12)	Prayer (2:16—3:5)	Prayer (3:16)

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Prayer: <i>Faith, Love, Hope</i> (1:2-3)
Paul and the Thessalonians (1:4—3:10)
Thessalonians' Conversion (1:4-10)
Paul's Ministry (2:1-12)
Thessalonians' Persecution (2:13-16)
Paul's Messengers (2:17—3:10)
Prayer: <i>Love, Holiness, Hope</i> (3:11-13)
Report from Timothy (4:1—5:11)
<i>Holiness:</i> Do Not Be Promiscuous (4:1-8)
<i>Love:</i> Do Not Be Idle (4:9-12)
<i>Hope:</i> Do Not Be Uninformed (4:13—5:11)
Final Instructions (5:12-22)
Prayer: <i>Holy, Hope</i> (5:23-24)

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Prayer (1:11-12)

In light of the Thessalonians' persecution, Paul prays that God empower them to live in a manner worthy of their calling (kingdom / glory!) by putting their faith into action through love

Prayer (2:16—3:5)

Paul prays that the Thessalonians would know God's love for them and His good plans for them and that that knowledge would comfort and make them steadfast in their sufferings, and establish them in good works

Paul sets the stage for his firm exhortation in 3:6-15 with a request for prayer which alludes to his authority as an apostle

Prayer (3:16)

Paul here petitions Jesus, the prince of peace, to bring an end to the conflict the Thessalonians are suffering