WEEK TWO

I Thessalonians 3-4

I Thessalonians 4:11

And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you;

THE THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WEEK!!!

I COR. 10:31

Date: Time:

Weekly memory verse – I Thessalonians 4:11 Time spent in prayer:

Read – I Thessalonians 3:1-5

Examine –

1. Where was Paul left?
2. Was anyone else with him?
3. How does he describe his relationship with Timothy? (3 things)
4. Why did he send Timothy? (2 reasons)
5. Apparently the people were going through what?
6. To what are we appointed?

\*See II Timothy 3:12

1. What had Paul told them when he was there?
2. What did he want to know?
3. What was he afraid the tempter would do?
4. Who is the tempter?
5. If this happened what would his labor be?

Apply-

Paul is explaining to the people why he sent Timothy. He wanted to come but could not so he sent the next best thing. Are you concerned about fellow Christians?

What do you do to see them grow?

What do you do if they are in sin?

Ask God to help you beware of those needs around you!

Prayer

Praise

Date: Time:

Main thought to meditate on today:

Weekly memory verse – I Thessalonians 4:11 Time spent in prayer:

Read – I Thessalonians 3:6-10

Examine –

1. From where had Timothy come?
2. Paul lists four things about this church that Timothy reported, list them!
3. What was Paul going through?
4. Paul said that he was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in his difficulties.
5. What comforted him?
6. Paul now is able to do what?
7. How can he do this?

Paul is saying that his “life is bound up in their spiritual life”. Another author says, “Their spirits were revived and they became alive and cheerful”. The Greek word here can mean active, blessed and endless in the kingdom of God.

1. What can Paul not express in words?
2. What did they bring to Paul?
3. For what is he praying?
4. How often does he pray?
5. Why does he want to come?

Apply-

What would others report on your faith?

How do you bring your authorities joy?

Do you have some area that is lacking in your spiritual life (don’t we all)?

Who is helping you with these areas? If you have someone thank them, if not ask for some help! Maybe you have some areas that you are not aware of yet; ask someone Godly that you trust!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: Time:

Weekly memory verse – I Thessalonians 4:11 Time spent in prayer:

Read – I Thessalonians 3:11-4:2

Examine –

1. Who is God to Paul?
2. How does Paul refer to Jesus Christ?
3. What are God and Jesus doing?
4. In what should they increase and abound?
5. Who will produce this in them?
6. Towards whom should they increase in love?
7. What is the end purpose of God?
8. How will our hearts be and in what will they be?
9. When will this come to fruition?
10. What did they receive of Paul?
11. What were they to continue doing?
12. How were they to continue this?
13. What did they know?

Apply-

Do you love people more and more?

Are you unblameable before God?

What things are you doing that you already know to do?

What things are you not doing that you know to do?

Most of us know more than we do!!!

Prayer

Praise

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Weekly memory verse – I Thessalonians 4:11 Time spent in prayer:

Read – I Thessalonians 4:3-8

Examine –

1. What is the will of God?
2. What is part of sanctification?
3. Define Sanctification –

The word abstain means to hold off and it is in the middle voice of the original language. This means that there is benefit to you – literally “do it for yourselves”.

1. What should every one of us know?
2. What is our vessel?
3. How should we possess our vessel?
4. How should we not possess it?
5. Define Concupiscence –
6. If you do this you act like whom?
7. Whom do they not know?
8. What should we not do in any matter?
9. Define Defraud –
10. Who will judge all things?
11. To what has God not called us?
12. To what has He called us?
13. If you despise rules and Godly living, whom are you really despising?
14. What has God given us as help?

Apply-

How are you striving towards holiness?

Do you despise rules, people and other things that help you to grow?

Remember who you are fighting against!!!

Are you saying yes to the Holy Spirit’s promptings?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

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Weekly memory verse – I Thessalonians 4:11 Time spent in prayer:

Read – I Thessalonians 4:9-12

Examine –

1. What does Paul touch on next?
2. Did he need to write to them about this?
3. Who was teaching them to love?

**Note:** This appears to be a strong point of this church.

1. With whom do they demonstrate this?
2. What does Paul encourage them to do?
3. What should they study to do?
4. To whose business should they attend?
5. What should they do with their own hands?
6. Why do all this?
7. How should they walk?
8. Who do you think are “those that are without”?
9. What would they lack if they do this?

Apply-

Paul gives basically three things in this passage: Love others, work hard, and mind your own business. On a scale from 1-10 with 10 being the highest, rate yourself in each one of these categories:

Love (Do you treat everyone with love?)

Working hard (Are you honest in your dealings?)

Minding your own business (Are you more concerned about others’ problems than your own?)

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today:

Date: Time:

Weekly memory verse – I Thessalonians 4:11 Time spent in prayer:

Read – I Thessalonians 4:13-18

Examine –

1. In what does Paul not want them ignorant?
2. How should they not sorrow?
3. What do we believe in verse 14?
   * Note: This is essential for salvation!
4. Define sleep in this context.
5. What will happen to those who sleep?
6. Will some Christians be alive when God comes again?
7. Will those Christians affect the sleeping ones?
8. Who is coming to get us?
9. What three things will signal His coming?
10. Who will rise first?
11. Where will we be caught together?
12. Where are we going to meet the Lord?
13. How long will we be with Him?
14. What should we do with this knowledge?

This was a church that was young in the faith and Paul wanted to teach them about the future. The people who died in the Lord are not gone but rather waiting for Jesus to return and get them. Because of these truths we sorrow differently than others and we can comfort other people with these words.

Apply-

Do you have friends, or loved ones already in Heaven?

This will be a happy time to meet them again but the question is, “Are you ready to meet the Lord?”

What would you be ashamed about if Christ came today? (I John 2:28)

Prayer

Praise

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Main thought to meditate on today:

Weekly memory verse – I Thessalonians 4:11 Time spent in prayer:

Read – Review

Examine –

1. Who did Paul send to Thessalonica?
2. What kind of report did he give about the church?
3. Why did Paul want to come to them?
4. What did Paul say about persecution?
5. The good report brought Paul what?
6. What is God’s will?
7. What should we know how to do?
8. God wants us to not be unclean but \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
9. Who really do we despise?
10. What did this church already do well?
11. In the last part of chapter 4, about what was the church concerned?
12. How is God coming back?
13. What should this information do for us?

Apply-

Paul gives much encouragement during these two chapters. This also contains a very popular passage.

If you were at the church when this letter was received, how would you have responded?

What part would you say you needed the most?

What are others saying about your testimony?

Prayer

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