

## Sunday School

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# 1st Thessalonians

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1. Who is the author of this letter?
2. Name those who were with the author during the writing of this letter?
3. Give a little information about each of the men with the author.
4. Who was the letter written to?
5. Where is this place located in the world?
6. In what manner did the author and his friends remember the church?
7. What three things was the church know for and what was their inspiration according to the author?
8. How did the gospel get to this church?
9. Who did the church imitate and during what kind of times?
10. What did the church do that made them a model to the other churches in the region?
11. How far had their faith and example reached?
12 What had the Thessalonians turned from? Idols (vs. 9)



- 1. How do we know that the visit to Thessalonica was not a failure?
- 2. What had happened to the mission team in Philippi?
- 3. The author says that the gospel appeal does not come from where?
- 4. How does the author speak or share the gospel?
- 5. In your opinion ... does the author take the sharing of the gospel serious?
- 6. Who are the author and his team trying to please?
- 7. What three things did the mission team not use or look for on their trip?
- 8. What do you think the author meant when he said, "As apostles, we could have been a burden to you..."?
- 9. So, how did the mission team act with the church?
- 10. So, what did the team do night and day?
- 11. What was the church, along with God, witness to?
- 12. What three things did the author tell the church to do to honor and glorify God?
- 13. Why did the author do these things?
- 14. Why did the author "Thank God continually" for the Thessalonians?
- 15. What did the Thessalonian church become imitators of?
- 16. How were they imitators?
- 17. Why did the Jewish people persecute the church in Judea?
- 18. What will be the crown, the joy, the hope and the glory for the author when the Lord comes?



- 1. What did the author send Timothy to do?
- 2. What were the Thessalonian Christians destined for? Why?
- 3. What did the author tell the Thessalonians the whole time he was with them?
- 4. What did the author want to be assured of with the Thessalonian Christian?
- 5. What kind of report did Timothy come back with?
- 6. What did the report do for the author and the whole mission team with him?
- 7. Why does the author want to thank God for the Thessalonian church?
- 8. Why does the author long to see them again?
- 9. What does the author pray that God will do?
- 10. What other things were involved in the author's prayer for the church?



- 1. What has the author instructed the church to do?
- 2. By whose authority had the author instructed the church?
- 3. What instructions has the Thessalonian church been given?
- 4. Who will punish men for their sins?
- 5. What did God not call people to?
- 6. What kind of life does God call His people to live?
- 7. What does a holy life for you and I look like?
- 8. If a person rejects these instructions what does that mean?
- 9. Define brotherly Love.
- 10. Was the church in Thessalonica doing this?
- 11. What does the author ask of them still when it comes to loving one another?
- 12. What does the author not want the church to be "ignorant" of?
- 13. What is the author dealing with here ... Is it a really boring church service he is talking about?
- 14. Why should Christians not mourn like the rest of the world?
- 15. So, what is the sequence of the day that the Lord returns when it comes to those who have "fallen asleep" and those who are still alive?
- 16. Since we now know this, what should we do?



- 1. When will the "end of the world as we know it" happen?
- 2. What does the author compare that day to and who else compared it the same way?
- 3. Read verse 3 and in your own words share what you think the author is saying.
- 4. What is the reason that those in Christ should not worry?
- 5. Who does the author say we should not be like?
- 6. Christians are called to be what?
- 7. What is our "Breast-plate and our helmet"?
- 8. What did God not appoint us to do?
- 9. Since we have all fallen short of God's plan, how are we to escape this wrath?
- 10. How did this salvation come about?
- 11. So, what should we do with this information?
- 12. What does the author tell the Thessalonians they should do in regards to their leaders in the church?
- 13. The author urges the church to do five things. What are they?
- 14. What three other things does the author tell the church to do?
- 15. The author says not to put out ... what?
- 16. In your own words, what does the author mean by, "Do not treat prophesies with contempt"?
- 17. What should we always avoid?

## **NOTES**

## 1 Thessalonians

First Corinthians
Second Corinthians
Galatians
Ephesians
Colossians
Colossians
First Thessalonians
Second Thessalonians

Letters to: Churches

Individuals

Philemon

Second Timothy

#### Purpose/Theme:

Paul wrote this friendly letter to the Christians at Thessatonica only a few months after establishing a congregation there. He writes to confirm their faith, especially in the safety of those who had died in Christ, and to further instruct them on the Second Coming.

#### **Key Verse:**

"May [the Lord] strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones" (3:13).

#### **Key Thoughts:**

- ☐ Paul's gentle, pastoral behavior (1 Thessalonians 1:7-10
- The encouragement faithful Christians are to others (1 Thessalonians 3:6-10)
- ☐ Instruction about the Second Coming (1 Thessalonians 4:13—5:11)

### When Events Happened

