

After listening to the recording of Class #1 beginning our study of Second Thessalonians, use the following questions to further your study and find application within our own lives. Read the Scriptures first, then consider the questions that follow.

Second Thessalonians Class #1

#1. Read 1 Thessalonians 1:1 & 2 Thessalonians 1:1-2

- A. Who wrote both books? Why are the first verse(s) of each book so similar?
- B. Who inspired both books? [2 Timothy 3:16-17]
- C. Does man get to choose their own interpretation of Scripture? [2 Peter 1:19-21]
- D. Why can we not thrive spiritually without Grace & Peace?
- E. Why can we not thrive spiritually without Jesus as our Lord?

#2. Read 1 Thessalonians 1:9-10

- A. When you serve "mute" idols, who leads the direction? [1 Corinthians 12:2]
- B. What are some major differences in turning from idols to serving a living & true God?
- C. Is there any "time frame" mentioned here on how long they must wait for His Son's coming from heaven?

#3. Read 1 Thessalonians 2:19-20

- A. How encouraging were the brethren from Thessalonica for Paul, Silas, & Timothy?
- B. Does verse 19 give any reference to "when" Paul & the saints there would be in the presence of their Lord Jesus at His coming?
- C. Why did these saints bring Paul so much joy?
- D. Why do other saints bring you so much joy?

#4. Read 1 Thessalonians 3:11-13

- A. Who was in charge of directing Paul's way back to the brethren in Thessalonica?
- B. Do we understand that in the serving the Lord, things are often out of our control?
- C. Do you ever pray for the Lord to cause the brethren to increase & abound in love for one another? Should we? How can we encourage each other to Love?
- D. What establishes hearts without blame before God?
- E. Did Paul give any indication of when the Lord Jesus would be coming with all His saints?

#5. Read 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

- A. Could the phrase "we who are alive" lead you to a misunderstanding of timing?
- B. Why is it important to have conclusions based on more than one Scripture?

[Psalm 119:160]

#6. Read 1 Thessalonians 5:2, 23-24

- A. What did they understand about "the day of the Lord"?
- B. What should they conclude the God of peace would do at the coming of Lord Jesus?