

Studies in First Thessalonians

NT Survey Lesson 78--1 Thessalonians 1

Introduction: During this quarter we will study three of the letters of Paul to churches he helped to establish. Paul wrote his first letter to the Thessalonians shortly after leaving them on his second preaching journey. In this chapter Paul discusses the many reasons why he was so thankful for the Thessalonians.

Lesson aim: To learn to be thankful for those who faithfully serve God and to live so as to be appreciated as one of God's people.

Paul's introduction--1 Thes. 1:1

1. What three men were involved in the writing of this letter to the Thessalonians?
2. What two things does Paul want the Thessalonians to have?

Paul expresses thanks for the Thessalonian church--1 Thes. 1:2-10

1. What did Paul say he did for the Thessalonians (v. 2)?
2. What three things did Paul remember about the Thessalonians? (v. 3)
3. Which of these did God do for the Thessalonians? a. Chose them; b. Loved them; c. Both of these; d. None of these.
4. Paul said, "our gospel did not come to you in _____ only, but also in _____ and in the _____".
5. Of whom did the Thessalonians become imitators?
6. How did the Thessalonians receive the word?
7. In what places had the word sounded forth from Thessalonica?: a. Achaia; b. Everywhere; c. Nowhere; d. Macedonia.

8. From what did the Thessalonians turn?
9. To whom did they turn?
10. For whom were the Thessalonians waiting?
11. Answer these questions about Jesus:
 - A. Jesus is God's _____.
 - B. Jesus is in _____.
 - C. Jesus was _____ from the dead.
 - D. Jesus _____ us from the wrath to come.