

1 THESSALONIANS

ORDER IN NEW TESTAMENT

13

NUMBER OF CHAPTERS

5

TYPE

EPISTLE, PAULINE



OVERVIEW

Paul stayed in Thessalonica approximately three months to help grow the seedling church. He wanted to return, but was not able to do so and sent Timothy check up on their faith, fearing that false teachers might have infiltrated their number. When Timothy returned giving a good report of the saints, Paul wrote this letter to the Thessalonians. He encouraged the people, expressing thankfulness for their faithfulness, and then taught about the death and Second Coming of the Lord.



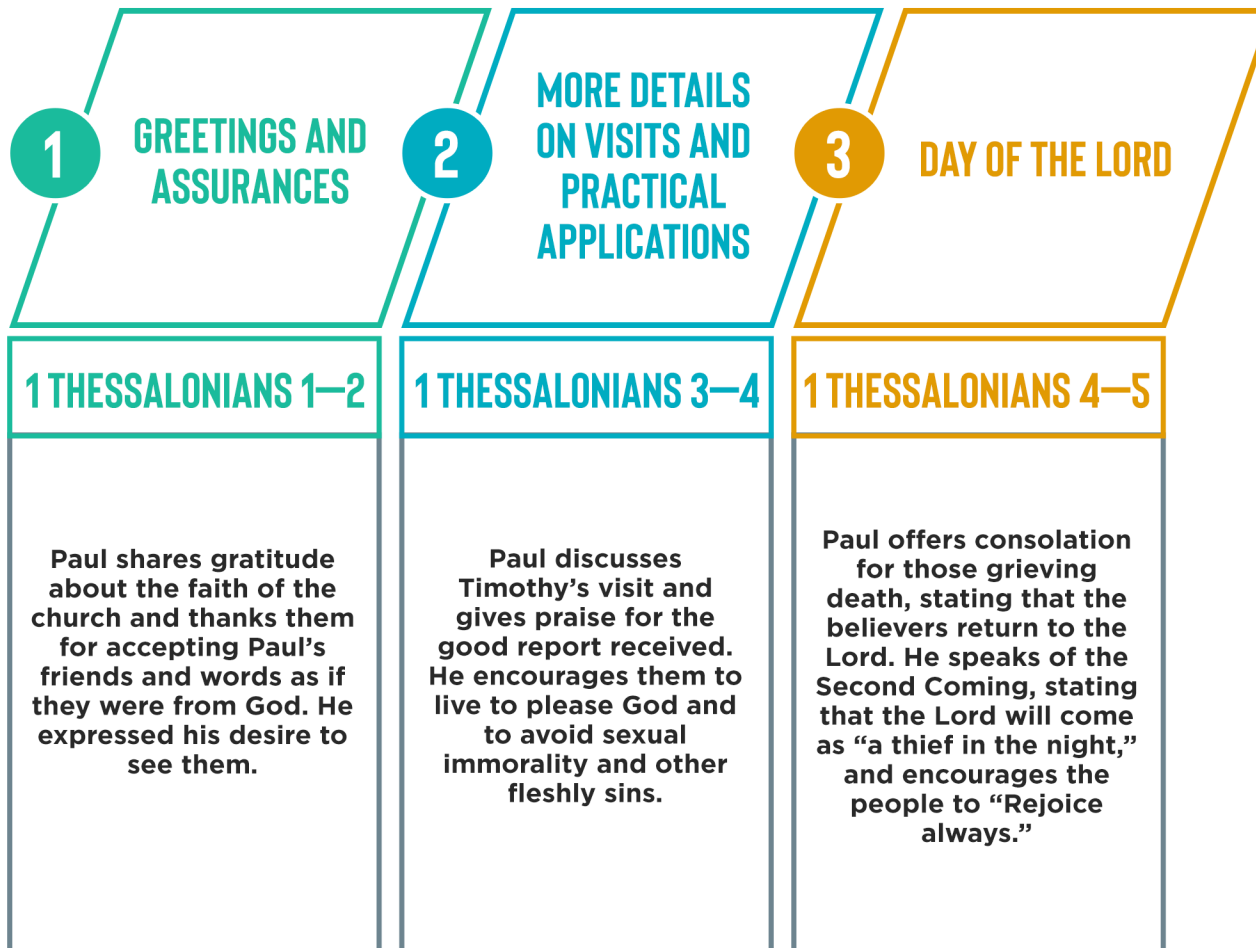
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2 THESSALONIANS

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TYPE

EPISTLE, PAULINE



OVERVIEW

After a brief period, Paul wrote to the people of Thessalonica again. The excitement about the Second Coming of Jesus Christ had caused some discord in the church. Some of the believers in that church thought that Jesus had already returned, and others were prone to idleness. The church had also experienced increased persecution. This letter was penned to offer encouragement and correct any misunderstandings.



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PROMISES OF GOD

2 THESSALONIANS 1

Paul encourages the people that those who torment the Thessalonians will get their just due. He prays constantly for the Thessalonians who are showing outstanding courage.

2

THE DAY OF THE LORD
IS AHEAD

2 THESSALONIANS 2-3

Paul dismisses rumors that the Day of the Lord has passed and describes the things that will come before that day, including those who fall away into a powerful delusion. Paul warns against idleness and stirring up trouble. He then offers final greetings and a promise of hope.