

PAUL TO A "T" 2 THESSALONIANS 2

Pray and ask God to help you to know Him better as you study His Word.

Read the Bible passage (preferably without using commentaries).

Begin to answer the questions using your own words.

Questions are based on New International Version (NIV) 1984 edition.

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1. What truth, verse or insight from last week's study of 2 Thessalonians 1 was helpful to you?

SECTION I: Read 2 Thessalonians 2:1-12

2. What is this chapter about according to **V1**?

3. What problem did Paul address in **V2-3**?

4. What information do the following verses give about the "man of lawlessness?"

V3 _____

V4 _____

V6-7 _____

V8 _____

V9 _____

V10 _____

5. What equips the reader to not "become easily unsettled or alarmed" in:

V1 _____

V5-7 _____

V8 _____

6. Name some false prophecies about Jesus' return you've been exposed to in your lifetime.

7. a) Write a truth regarding what you learn about God in these verses.

b) How does that truth comfort you?

8. From **V10** and **V12**, what characterizes “those who are perishing?”

9. How does God respond to their refusal?

10. What do you notice about the sequence of events in man’s choice and God’s response in **V10-12**?

SECTION II: Read 2 Thessalonians 2:13-17

11. a) What are the writers thanking God for in **V13**?

b) Trying to stay within the context of **V13**, rewrite the following phrases in your own words.

- “from the beginning God chose you to be saved”
- “through the sanctifying work of the Spirit”
- “through belief in the truth”

12. Of all the thoughts expressed in **V13**, which one grabs your heart?

13. What other amazing truths do the writers remind the Thessalonians in **V14**?

14. In your own words, how are they to respond to all of these truths? (See **V15**)

15. **V16** and **V17** mention 2 types of encouragement. Try to explain the difference between them.

16. From Chapter 2, pick a powerful phrase to pray for yourself and/or a loved one.

DIGGING DEEPER

1. What do these additional Scriptures say about the end times and the different people who will play a role?

Antichrist:

Daniel 11:30b-32, 36-37 _____

1 John 2:18-23 _____

False Christs & Prophets:

Matthew 24:23-24 _____

False Teachers:

2 Peter 2:18-19 _____

Scoffers:

2 Peter 3:3-9 _____

People:

2 Timothy 3:1-7 _____

2. How can this Biblical knowledge prepare and strengthen you?

3. How do you make sense of the truth about God in 2 Thessalonians 2:11-12 with 2 Peter 3:9?

