## The Life and Letters of Paul

## 2 Thessalonians 2

- 1. The Thessalonian Church is being faced with some false teachers causing confusing as to the coming of Jesus, Paul makes it a point to remind them of first meeting.
- 2 Thessalonians 2:1/1 Thessalonians 1:10/1 Thessalonians 4:17
  - 2. When we as believers are in our Word, we can stand firm even when others are preaching contrary to it. Know your word so you know when it is not the word-"shaken" The Greek word used here, saleuō, means "to be disturbed." Some of the Thessalonian believers apparently were disturbed by rumors that the Day of the Lord had happened already.
- 2 Thessalonians 2:2/John 8:31-32/Joshua 1:8
  - In the days leading to the Second coming there will be a great rebellion with much contention to the things of God bringing about destruction, can you give some examples of this in our current culture.
- 2 Thessalonians 2:2/2 Timothy 3:1-5/1 John 3:4/Matthew 24:12
  - 4. We will see a time where it is not enough to only speak against the things of God, but to also defy place and spaces of Worship and even wanting to claim themselves to be God. (are we as a people of God prepared for this moment)
- 2 Thessalonians 2:4/Dan 11:36/Ezek 28:2
  - 5. When we feel that we are in times of peril we must always go back to a place when we were in preparation for a times like this- Go back to one
- 2 Thessalonians 2:5/Proverbs 3:1-2/Psalm 119:93/Deuteronomy 4:9

- 6. The works of the enemy are at work, we as believers must not be surprised by this but confident that God is in control. What comes to mind when you see an antichrist sprit happening right now?
- 2 Thessalonians 2:6-7/Ephesians 2:2/Ephesians 6:12
  - 7. The enemy like anything else is under the Authority of God and as quick as he appears he will also be destroyed by Jesus.
- 2 Thessalonians 2:8/2 Thessalonians 2:6-8(MSG)- Puff he is gone/ Job 1:6-9
  - 8. Power, signs, and wonders were features of the ministry of Jesus and Paul and the work of the enemy was to counterfeit this work trying to bring about deception.
- 2 Thessalonians 2:9-10/ Acts 2:22/ Rom 15:19/Exodus 7:10-13/Mark 13:22/ Matt 24:24
  - 9. God sends them a strong delusion This is part of God's judgment: He gives His enemies over to their own sin. They already regarded His truth as a delusion; now they will become even more convinced of it.
- 2 Thessalonians 2:11-12/Rom 1:28; 11:8/2 Tim 4:4
  - 10. Paul prays again for the Thessalonians while also exhorting them to endure in the face of affliction. His prayer reassures the believers of their position before God and the Spirit's work of sanctification.
- 2 Thessalonians 2:13-17