

Exploring 1,2 Thessalonians, 1,2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon
Unveiling God's Word

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Lord Jesus,

We come before You with grateful hearts as we begin this journey through Your Word, studying the books of 1 Thessalonians to Philemon. We ask for Your presence to be with us, guiding our hearts and minds as we read and reflect on these scriptures.

Lord, open our eyes to see the truths You have for us in each chapter. Help us to understand Your teachings and apply them to our lives. May we be transformed by Your Word, growing in faith, hope, and love.

Grant us wisdom and discernment as we study, and let Your Holy Spirit illuminate our path. Encourage us to support one another, just as Paul encouraged the early believers. Strengthen our faith and deepen our relationship with You through this study.

Thank You for this opportunity to learn and grow together. We commit this time to You and ask for Your blessings upon our study.

In Jesus' name, we pray,

Amen.

Day 1: 1 Thessalonians 1

Questions:

What qualities of the Thessalonian believers does Paul commend in this chapter?

Reflect on the ways in which the Thessalonians' faith became known to others. What does this teach about the power of a transformed life?

How does Paul describe the role of the Holy Spirit in their reception of the gospel?

Are there specific areas of your life where you can become a model of faith and perseverance to others?

Personal Reflection Question: How can you let your faith and love shine in such a way that others are drawn to God through your example?

Day 2: 1 Thessalonians 2

Questions:

How does Paul describe his approach to ministry among the Thessalonians?

Reflect on the metaphors Paul uses (a mother, a father) to describe his relationship with the Thessalonian church. What does this teach about spiritual leadership?

What challenges and oppositions did Paul and his companions face, and how did they respond?

Are there ways in which you can serve others more selflessly, as Paul served the Thessalonians?

Personal Reflection Question: How can you balance gentleness and encouragement in your relationships, following Paul's example of spiritual leadership?

Day 3: 1 Thessalonians 3

Questions:

What was Paul's primary concern for the Thessalonian believers while he was away from them?

How does Timothy's report about the Thessalonians' faith and love affect Paul?

What does Paul pray for the Thessalonians in this chapter, and why?

Are there people in your life for whom you can offer similar prayers and encouragement?

Personal Reflection Question: How can you strengthen and encourage others in their faith, especially during times of trial and separation?

Day 4: 1 Thessalonians 4

Questions:

What specific instructions does Paul give regarding living a life that pleases God?

Reflect on Paul's teaching about the hope of resurrection and the return of Christ. How does this hope impact daily living?

How does Paul emphasize the importance of love and the quiet, hardworking life?

Are there areas in your life where you need to grow in holiness, love, or hope?

Personal Reflection Question: How does the hope of Christ's return motivate you to live a life that is pleasing to God and loving towards others?

Day 5: 1 Thessalonians 5

Questions:

How does Paul describe the Day of the Lord, and what encouragement does he offer to believers?

Reflect on the practical exhortations Paul gives for daily Christian living in this chapter.

How does Paul emphasize the importance of community and mutual support among believers?

Are there specific ways you can encourage and build up others in your faith community?

Personal Reflection Question: How can you live in readiness for Christ's return, focusing on faith, love, and encouraging others in the community?

Day 1: 2 Thessalonians 1

Questions:

How does Paul encourage the Thessalonians in the face of their persecutions and trials?

Reflect on the descriptions of God's justice and the future judgment mentioned in this chapter.

What does Paul pray for the Thessalonians regarding their faith and endurance?

Are there areas in your life where you need encouragement to persevere through trials?

Personal Reflection Question: How can you find strength and hope in God's promises of justice and His ultimate plan for you, especially during difficult times?

Day 2: 2 Thessalonians 2

Questions:

What concerns about the Day of the Lord does Paul address in this chapter?

Reflect on Paul's warnings about deception and the importance of holding to the truth.

How does Paul describe the power and coming of the lawless one?

Are there ways you can better equip yourself to discern truth from deception in your spiritual journey?

Personal Reflection Question: How can you remain steadfast in your faith and avoid being shaken by false teachings and deception?

Day 3: 2 Thessalonians 3

Questions:

What instructions does Paul give about work and idleness?

Reflect on Paul's request for prayer and the importance of supporting one another in prayer.

How does Paul emphasize the necessity of church discipline for those who are idle or disruptive?

Are there areas in your life where you need to be more diligent or disciplined in your responsibilities?

Personal Reflection Question: How can you balance diligent work and reliance on God's strength, and encourage others to do the same?

Summary and Reflection:

Questions:

What are the main themes you observed throughout 2 Thessalonians?

How has your understanding of perseverance, truth, and responsibility been shaped by this study?

Are there specific verses or passages that have had a significant impact on your spiritual journey?

In what areas of your life do you need to apply the truths and principles found in 2 Thessalonians more intentionally?

Personal Reflection Question: What steps will you take to apply the insights gained from your study of 2 Thessalonians to your ongoing walk with God? How will you share these insights with others to encourage and edify them in their faith journey?

Day 1: 1 Timothy 1

Questions:

How does Paul describe his purpose in writing to Timothy in this chapter?

Reflect on Paul's warnings against false teachers and doctrine. Why is this important for the church?

How does Paul describe his own transformation by God's mercy and grace?

Are there specific ways you can guard against false teachings and stay true to sound doctrine?

Personal Reflection Question: How can you apply Paul's testimony of grace and mercy to your own life, and share your story of transformation with others?

Day 2: 1 Timothy 2

Questions:

What instructions does Paul give about prayer and its importance?

Reflect on Paul's teachings regarding the roles of men and women in worship.

How does Paul emphasize the importance of a peaceful and godly life?

Are there areas in your life where you need to strengthen your prayer life or pursue peace and godliness more diligently?

Personal Reflection Question: How can you cultivate a deeper and more consistent prayer life, and encourage others to do the same?

Day 3: 1 Timothy 3

Questions:

What qualifications does Paul list for overseers and deacons in the church?

Reflect on why these qualifications are important for church leadership.

How does Paul describe the mystery of godliness in this chapter?

Are there qualities listed that you need to develop more in your own life, whether or not you are in a leadership position?

Personal Reflection Question: How can you support and pray for your church leaders to live up to the standards set in this chapter?

Day 4: 1 Timothy 4

Questions:

What warnings does Paul give about future times of apostasy and false teachings?

Reflect on Paul's advice to Timothy about training in godliness.

How does Paul encourage Timothy to be an example to believers in word, conduct, love, spirit, faith, and purity?

Are there areas in your life where you can be a better example to others, especially younger believers?

Personal Reflection Question: How can you train yourself in godliness and be a positive example to those around you, following Paul's guidance?

Day 5: 1 Timothy 5

Questions:

What instructions does Paul give about the treatment of older and younger members of the church, and widows?

Reflect on Paul's guidance regarding the support and treatment of elders in the church.

How does Paul address issues of discipline and accusations against elders?

Are there ways you can show greater respect and care for different members of your church community?

Personal Reflection Question: How can you apply Paul's teachings on respect, care, and discipline within your own church community?

Day 6: 1 Timothy 6

Questions:

What does Paul say about the relationship between slaves and masters (or employers and employees) in this chapter?

Reflect on Paul's warnings about the love of money and the pursuit of godliness.

How does Paul encourage Timothy to fight the good fight of faith and guard what has been entrusted to him?

Are there specific areas where you need to pursue godliness more and avoid the pitfalls of materialism?

Personal Reflection Question: How can you guard your faith and prioritize spiritual wealth over material wealth, as Paul instructs?

Summary and Reflection:

Reading: Reflect on the key themes and lessons from the book of 1 Timothy.

Questions:

What are the main themes you observed throughout 1 Timothy?

How has your understanding of church leadership, sound doctrine, and godly living been shaped by this study?

Are there specific verses or passages that have had a significant impact on your spiritual journey?

In what areas of your life do you need to apply the truths and principles found in 1 Timothy more intentionally?

Personal Reflection Question: What steps will you take to apply the insights gained from your study of 1 Timothy to your ongoing walk with God? How will you share these insights with others to encourage and edify them in their faith journey?

Day 1: 2 Timothy 1

Questions:

What does Paul emphasize about his relationship with Timothy and his feelings towards him?

Reflect on Paul's encouragement to Timothy to fan into flame the gift of God. How does this apply to your own spiritual gifts?

How does Paul describe the spirit God gives us? How can this understanding impact your daily life?

What does Paul encourage Timothy to do in light of suffering for the gospel?

Personal Reflection Question: How can you actively cultivate and use your spiritual gifts to serve others and advance the gospel?

Day 2: 2 Timothy 2

Questions:

What analogies does Paul use to describe a faithful servant of Christ, and what do they teach about Christian living?

Reflect on Paul's advice regarding handling disputes and teachings.

How can this guide your interactions with others?

How does Paul describe the importance of enduring hardship? What examples does he give?

Are there areas in your life where you need to strengthen your discipline or faithfulness in your walk with Christ?

Personal Reflection Question: How can you endure hardships and remain steadfast in your faith, following the examples Paul outlines?

Day 3: 2 Timothy 3

Questions:

How does Paul describe the "last days," and what behaviors should believers be aware of?

Reflect on Paul's personal example and how he contrasts it with those who oppose the truth. How does this challenge you?

How does Paul emphasize the value and purpose of Scripture in this chapter?

Are there specific areas where you need to rely more on the wisdom and guidance of Scripture?

Personal Reflection Question: How can you make Scripture a more integral part of your daily life, using it to guide and equip you for every good work?

Day 4: 2 Timothy 4

Questions:

What does Paul charge Timothy to do "in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus"?

Reflect on Paul's description of his own ministry and how he has "fought the good fight." How does this inspire you?

How does Paul address the reality of people turning away from the truth? What does he urge Timothy to do in response?

Are there ways you can be more diligent in proclaiming and living out the gospel in your own life?

Personal Reflection Question: How can you finish well in your faith journey, keeping Paul's charge and example in mind?

Summary and Reflection:

Reading: Reflect on the key themes and lessons from the book of 2 Timothy.

Questions:

What are the main themes you observed throughout 2 Timothy?

How has your understanding of perseverance, faithfulness, and the importance of Scripture been shaped by this study?

Are there specific verses or passages that have had a significant impact on your spiritual journey?

In what areas of your life do you need to apply the truths and principles found in 2 Timothy more intentionally?

Personal Reflection Question: What steps will you take to apply the insights gained from your study of 2 Timothy to your ongoing walk with God? How will you share these insights with others to encourage and edify them in their faith journey?

Day 1: Titus 1

Questions:

What qualifications does Paul list for elders in the church?

Why do you think these qualities are important?

Reflect on the reasons Paul gives for needing sound doctrine and good leadership in the church.

How does Paul describe those who are rebellious and deceitful?
What is their impact on the community?

What steps can you take to promote sound doctrine and strong leadership in your church community?

Personal Reflection Question: How can you encourage and support the leaders in your church to uphold the standards set forth by Paul?

Day 2: Titus 2

Questions:

How does Paul instruct different groups (older men, older women, younger women, younger men, and slaves) to live?

Reflect on the role of older women in teaching and mentoring younger women. How can this principle be applied today?

What does Paul say about the grace of God and its role in teaching us to live godly lives?

How can you apply the instructions Paul gives in this chapter to your own life and relationships?

Personal Reflection Question: In what ways can you mentor or be mentored by others to grow in godliness and good works?

Day 3: Titus 3

Questions:

What instructions does Paul give about being subject to rulers and authorities, and how does this apply to your life?

Reflect on the kindness and love of God our Savior as described in verses 4-7. How does this impact your understanding of salvation?

How does Paul emphasize the importance of good works in the lives of believers?

What warnings does Paul give about divisive people, and how should you respond to them?

Personal Reflection Question: How can you devote yourself to doing good works in response to the grace and mercy God has shown you?

Summary and Reflection:

Reading: Reflect on the key themes and lessons from the book of Titus.

Questions:

What are the main themes you observed throughout Titus?

How has your understanding of leadership, sound doctrine, and godly living been shaped by this study?

Are there specific verses or passages that have had a significant impact on your spiritual journey?

In what areas of your life do you need to apply the truths and principles found in Titus more intentionally?

Personal Reflection Question: What steps will you take to apply the insights gained from your study of Titus to your ongoing walk with God? How will you share these insights with others to encourage and edify them in their faith journey?

Day 1: Philemon

Questions:

How does Paul describe his relationship with Philemon, and what qualities does he praise in him?

Reflect on Paul's appeal to Philemon on behalf of Onesimus. What approach does Paul use in his plea?

How does Paul emphasize the new relationship between Philemon and Onesimus as brothers in Christ?

What does Paul's letter teach about forgiveness, reconciliation, and the transformation brought about by the gospel?

Personal Reflection Question: How can you apply the principles of forgiveness and reconciliation in your own relationships, following the example of Paul's letter to Philemon?

Summary and Reflection:

Reading: Reflect on the key themes and lessons from the book of Philemon.

Questions:

What are the main themes you observed throughout Philemon?

How has your understanding of forgiveness, reconciliation, and Christian fellowship been shaped by this study?

Are there specific verses or passages that have had a significant impact on your spiritual journey?

In what areas of your life do you need to apply the truths and principles found in Philemon more intentionally?

Personal Reflection Question: What steps will you take to apply the insights gained from your study of Philemon to your ongoing walk with God? How will you share these insights with others to encourage and edify them in their faith journey?

As you conclude your study of these books of the Bible, take time to thank God for His Word and ask for His guidance as you continue to grow in faith and obedience. Consider sharing your insights and reflections with a trusted friend or mentor, and continue to seek opportunities to study and apply God's Word in your life. Remember that the goal of Bible study is not merely to gain knowledge but to be transformed by the renewing of your mind (Romans 12:2) and to walk in obedience to God's will.

