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A. One More Defense (12:11-18)

- 1. Do I take one more stand? (12:11)**
- 2. Do you see the signs of an apostle in me? (12:12)**
- 3. Do I minister to you are differently? (12:13)**
- 4. Do I burden you? (12:14)**
- 5. Do I not love you? (12:15)**
- 6. Do I deceive you? (12:16)**
- 7. Do I “use” you? (12:17)**
- 8. Do I keep bad company? (12:18)**

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B. One More Chance to Repent (12:19 – 13:4)

1. One goal (12:19)

2. One fear (12:20)

3. One mind (12:21)

4. One truth (13:1)

5. One standard (13:2)

6. One voice (13:3)

7. One power (13:4)

Acts 2:46

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C. One More Look (13:5-10)

- 1. Three commands to confirm your relationship in Christ (13:5)**
 - a. Examine**
 - b. Prove**
 - c. Know**
- 2. Three results of a right relationship with Christ (13:6-8)**
 - a. Spiritual discernment**
 - b. Approving works**
 - c. Confirming truth**

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C. One More Look (13:5-10) - continued

A. Three signs of spiritual maturity (13:9-10)

a. Spiritual strength

b. Spiritual perfection

c. Spiritual edification

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D. One More Encouragement (13:11-14)

1. A parting exhortation (v 11a)

- a. “Be perfect”**
- b. “Be of good comfort”**
- c. “Be of one mind”**
- d. “Live in peace”**

2. A parting promise (v 11b)

“God of peace shall be with you”

3. Greet and be greeted (vv 12-13)

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D. One More Encouragement (13:11-14)

4. A three-fold benediction (v 14)

a. Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ

b. Love of God

c. Communion of the Holy Ghost

Looking Toward the Return of Christ

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

**The Christian's attitude toward Christ's
return is to serve and to wait.**

Background

Acts 17:1-10

1 Now when they had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where was a synagogue of the Jews:

2 And Paul, as his manner was, went in unto them, and three sabbath days reasoned with them out of the scriptures,

3 Opening and alleging, that Christ must needs have suffered, and risen again from the dead; and that this Jesus, whom I preach unto you, is Christ.

Background

Acts 17:1-10 - continued

4 And some of them believed, and consorted with Paul and Silas; and of the devout Greeks a great multitude, and of the chief women not a few.

5 But the Jews which believed not, moved with envy, took unto them certain lewd fellows of the baser sort, and gathered a company, and set all the city on an uproar, and assaulted the house of Jason, and sought to bring them out to the people.

Background

Acts 17:1-10 - continued

6 And when they found them not, they drew Jason and certain brethren unto the rulers of the city, crying, These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also;

7 Whom Jason hath received: and these all do contrary to the decrees of Caesar, saying that there is another king, one Jesus.

8 And they troubled the people and the rulers of the city, when they heard these things.

9 And when they had taken security of Jason, and of the other, they let them go.

Background

Acts 17:1-10 - continued

10 And the brethren immediately sent away Paul and Silas by night unto Berea: who coming thither went into the synagogue of the Jews.



Background

How do we know we have the hope of heaven?

Colossians 1:5-6

5 For the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ye heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel;

6 Which is come unto you, as it is in all the world; and bringeth forth fruit, as it doth also in you, since the day ye heard of it, and knew the grace of God in truth:

I. Paul's Salutation to the Church (1:1-4)

1 Thessalonians 1:1-4

1 Paul, and Silvanus, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians which is in God the Father and in the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

2 We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers;

3 Remembering without ceasing your work of faith, and labour of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God and our Father;

4 Knowing, brethren beloved, your election of God.

I. Paul's Salutation to the Church (1:1-4)

A. Based on a common bond (v 1a)

B. Based on the blessings of God (v 1b)

C. Based on gratefulness of heart (v 2)

D. Based on their Godly testimony (v 3)

1. Work of faith

2. Labor of love

3. Patience of hope

E. Based on a sure foundation (v 4)

II. The Receipt of The Gospel by the Thessalonian Believers (1:5-6)

1 Thessalonians 1:5-6

5 For our gospel came not unto you in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Ghost, and in much assurance; as ye know what manner of men we were among you for your sake.

6 And ye became followers of us, and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, with joy of the Holy Ghost.

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The Gospel came to them by ... (vv5-6)

A. The word (v 5a)

B. The power of the Holy Spirit (v 5b)

C. The character of the witnesses (v 5c)

D. A spiritual struggle (v 6)

III. The Conversion of the Thessalonian Believers (1:7-10)

1 Thessalonians 1:7-10

7 So that ye were ensamples to all that believe in Macedonia and Achaia.

8 For from you sounded out the word of the Lord not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place your faith to God-ward is spread abroad; so that we need not to speak any thing.

III. The Conversion of the Thessalonian Believers (1:7-10)

1 Thessalonians 1:7-10 - continued

9 For they themselves shew of us what manner of entering in we had unto you, and how ye turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God;

10 And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, even Jesus, which delivered us from the wrath to come.

II. The Receipt of The Gospel by the Thessalonican Believers (1:5-6)

A. An example to others (vv 7-8)

B. A changed lifestyle (v 9)

C. A new hope (v 10)

