

Outline of I Thessalonians

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| I. Paul's Past and Present Relations with the Thessalonians, and His Love for Them | 1 Thes 1:1--3:13 |
| (1) Greeting and thanksgiving | 1 Thes 1:1-10 |
| (2) Paul reminds them of the character of his life and ministry among them | 1 Thes 2:1-12 |
| (3) Their sufferings are the same as those endured by their Jewish brethren | 1 Thes 2:13-16 |
| (4) Paul's efforts to see them | 1 Thes 2:17-20 |
| (5) Paul's surrender of his beloved helper, Timothy,
in order to learn the state of the Thessalonian church | 1 Thes 3:1-13 |
| II. Exhortations against Vice; Comfort & Warning in View of the Coming of Christ | |
| (1) Against gross vice | 1 Thes 4:1-8 |
| (2) Against idleness | 1 Thes 4:9-12 |
| (3) Concerning those who have fallen asleep | 1 Thes 4:13-18 |
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| (5) Various exhortations | 1 Thes 5:12-28 |

1 Thessalonians Chapter One

I Thes 1:1-10 (NIV)	I Thes 1:1-10 (NKJ)	Comments:
1 <u>Paul, Silas and Timothy</u> , To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: <u>Grace</u> and <u>peace</u> to you.	1 Paul, Silvanus, & Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.	Paul and his two companions.
2 We always thank God for all of you, mentioning you in our prayers.	2 <u>We give thanks to God always for you all</u> , making mention of you in our prayers,	Are people thank for us? Praying more in this year!
3 We continually remember before our God and Father your work produced by <u>faith</u> , your labor prompted by <u>love</u> , and your endurance inspired by <u>hope</u> in our Lord Jesus Christ.	3 <u>remembering without ceasing your work of faith, labor of love,</u> and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ in the sight of our God and Father,	Appreciating people as a life goal! 1 Cor 13:13 hupomone = steadfastness, constancy, endurance
4 For we know, brothers loved by God, that <u>he has chosen you</u> ,	4 knowing, beloved brethren, your <u>election by God</u> .	1 Peter 2:9-10: 1. <u>Chosen Generation</u> 2. <u>Royal Priesthood</u> 3. <u>Holy Nation</u> 4. <u>His Possession</u> 5. <u>Special People</u> 6. <u>Praiser</u> 7. <u>People of God</u> 8. <u>Mercy Receivers</u>
5 because our gospel came to you not simply with words, but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and with deep conviction. You know how we lived among you for your sake.	5 For our gospel did not come to you in word only, but <u>also in power</u> , and <u>in the Holy Spirit</u> and in <u>much assurance</u> , as you know what kind of men we were among you for your sake.	3402 mimetes = an imitator, mimic, to imitate accurately. (1 Cor 4:15-17; 1 Cor 10:31-11:1; Eph 5:1-2; 1Thes 1:6; 1 Thes 2:14; Heb 6:11-12).
6 You became <u>imitators</u> of us and of the Lord; in spite of severe suffering, you welcomed the message with the joy given by the Holy Spirit.	6 And you became <u>followers</u> of us and of the Lord, having received the word in <u>much affliction, with joy of the Holy Spirit</u> ,	5179 tupos = the mark of a stroke or blow to form an impression, a print, an example.
7 And so you became a <u>model</u> to all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia.	7 so that you became <u>examples</u> to all in Macedonia and Achaia who believe.	

<p style="text-align: center;">(NIV)</p> <p>8 The Lord's message rang out from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia-- <u>your faith in God has become known everywhere.</u> Therefore we do not need to say anything about it,</p> <p>9 for they themselves report what kind of reception you gave us. They tell how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God,</p> <p>10 and <u>to wait for his Son from heaven,</u> whom he <u>raised from the dead-- Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.</u> (NIV)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">(NKJ)</p> <p>8 For from you the word of the Lord has sounded forth, not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place. Your faith toward God has gone out, <u>so that we do not need to say anything.</u></p> <p>9 For they themselves declare concerning us what manner of entry we had to you, and <u>how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God.</u></p> <p>10 and <u>to wait for His Son from heaven,</u> whom <u>He raised from the dead,</u> even Jesus who <u>delivers us from the wrath to come.</u> (NKJ)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Comments:</p> <p><i>Acts 1:6-11</i> <i>Matt 28:19-20</i> <i>Mark 16:15-20</i> <i>Luke 24:46-49</i> <i>Acts 2:30-32</i> <i>Acts 3:14-15</i> <i>Acts 4:31-33</i> <i>Acts 5:30-32</i> <i>Acts 10:36-41</i> <i>Acts 13:27-31</i> <i>Acts 22:7-15</i></p> <hr style="border-top: 1px dashed red;"/> <p>List the Top Idols of Americans:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. fame or notoriety 2. position or status 3. career 4. freedom 5. "my rights" 6. money or possessions 7. homes 8. food 9. cars 10. boats 11. sex 12. entertainment 13. sports 14. "looks" or beauty 15. music 16. power 17. computers 18. internet 19. leisure 20. drinking 21. - 22. - 23. - 24. - 25. - <p><i>Matt 3:7</i> <i>Heb 10:30-31</i> <i>John 3:36</i> <i>Rev 6:1-17, esp. 12-17</i> <i>Malachi 3:2-6</i> <i>Rev. 14:9-13</i></p>
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