1 Thessalonians

2Ti 3:16 All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness;

It turns out that is how the New Testament is laid out in the scriptures.

Teaching; Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Acts [are reflective of the 5 books of Moses]

Doctrine; Romans Ephesians Thessalonians
Reproof: Corinthians Philippians No correction of
Correction; Galatians Colossians the Rapture

Instruction; Timothy, Titus, Philemon = Pastoral Epistles

Hebrews, James, Peter and John = Letters to the 12 Tribes of Israel

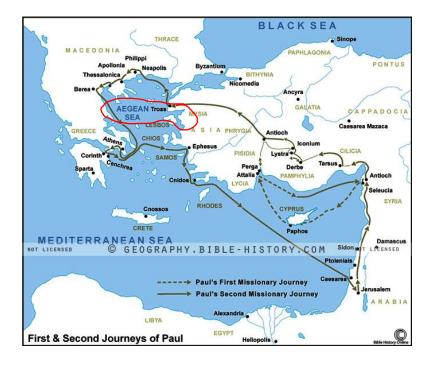
Revelation of Jesus Christ = A wrap up of the entire Bible

The books of Romans, Ephesians, and Thessalonians are doctrine for the Body of Christ, The Church of God: They are a triune treatise on the foundational statement found in Hab 2:4 "The just shall live by faith"; the basis belief for the Protestant Reformation.

Romans pertains to the evolution of the Church from Judaism, (chapters 9, 10, and 11 especially). Paul puts forth – "Who are the Justified?"

Ephesians pertains to the Gentiles being fellow heirs to the promises of God (a tough sell to the Jews), Paul puts forth <u>"How shall the Just live?."</u>

Thessalonians pertains to the "Blessed Hope" that all of the Church would be resurrected or Raptured into an eternal fellowship with Christ. Paul put forth – "What is the faith of the Just?"



- Act 17:1 Now when they had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where there was a synagogue of the Jews.
- Act 17:2 And Paul went in, as was his custom, and on three Sabbath days he reasoned with them from the Scriptures,
- Act 17:3 explaining and proving that it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead, and saying, "This Jesus, whom I proclaim to you, is the Christ."

Christos; christ = anointed,(Heb-messiah) [The chosen one]

- **a.** consecrating Jesus to the messianic office, and furnishing him with the necessary powers for it's administration
- Act 17:4 And some of them were persuaded and joined Paul and Silas, as did a great many of the devout Greeks and not a few of the leading women.
- Act 17:5 <u>But the Jews were jealous</u>, and taking some wicked men of the rabble, they formed a mob, set the city in an uproar, and attacked the house of Jason, seeking to bring them out to the crowd.

The Jews were jealous by design

- Rom 11:13 Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry
- Rom 11:14 in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them.
- Act 17:6 And when they could not find them, they dragged Jason and some of the brothers before the city authorities, shouting, "These men who have turned the world upside down have come here also,
- Act 17:7 and Jason has received them, and they are all acting against the decrees of Caesar, saying that there is another king, Jesus."[Jews trying to get the Romans to punish them]
- Act 17:8 And the people and the city authorities were disturbed when they heard these things.
- Act 17:9 And when they had taken money as security from Jason and the rest, they let them go.
- Act 17:10 The brothers immediately sent Paul and Silas away by night to Berea, and when they arrived they went into the Jewish synagogue.
- Rom 11:13 Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry
- Rom 11:14 in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them.
- **1Th 1:1** 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.
- 1Th 1:2 We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers;
- 1Th 1:3 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;
- 1Th 1:4 Knowing, brethren beloved, your election of God.

- **Eph 1:4** According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:
- 1Th 1:5 For <u>our gospel</u> came not unto you <u>in word</u> only, but also <u>in power</u>, and <u>in the Holy Ghost</u>, and in much assurance; as ye know what manner of men we were among you for your sake. [Pneuma = spirit, ghost, wind Hagios = most holy thing, saint]
- 1Th 1:6 And ye became followers of us, and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, with joy of the Holy Ghost:
- 1Th 1:7 So that ye were ensamples to all that believe in Macedonia and Achaia. [Greece]
- 1Th 1:8 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.
- 1Th 1:9 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;
- 1Th 1:10 And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, *even* Jesus, which delivered us from the wrath to come.
- **1Th 2:1** For yourselves, brethren, know our entrance in unto you, that it was not in vain:
- 1Th 2:2 But even after that we had suffered before, and were shamefully entreated, as ye know, at Philippi, we were bold in our God to speak unto you the gospel of God with much contention.
 - Act 16:37 But Paul said to them, "They have beaten us publicly, uncondemned, men who are Roman citizens, and have thrown us into prison; and do they now throw us out secretly? No! Let them come themselves and take us out."
 - Act 16:39 So they came and apologized to them. And they took them out and asked them to leave the city.
- 1Th 2:3 For our exhortation was not of deceit, nor of uncleanness, nor in guile:
- 1Th 2:4 But as we were allowed of God to be put in trust with the gospel, even so we speak; not as pleasing men, but God, which trieth our hearts.
- 1Th 2:5 For neither at any time used we flattering words, as ye know, nor a cloke of covetousness; God *is* witness:
- 1Th 2:6 Nor of men sought we glory, neither of you, nor *yet* of others, when we might have been burdensome, as the apostles of Christ.
- 1Th 2:7 But we were gentle among you, even as a nurse cherisheth her children:
- 1Th 2:8 So being affectionately desirous of you, we were willing to have imparted unto you, not the gospel of God only, but also our own souls, because ye were dear unto us.
- 1Th 2:9 For ye remember, brethren, our labour and travail: for labouring night and day, because we would not be chargeable unto any of you, we preached unto you the gospel of God.
- 1Th 2:10 Ye are witnesses, and God also, how holily and justly and unblameably we behaved

ourselves among you that believe:

- 1Th 2:11 As ye know how we exhorted and comforted and charged every one of you, as a father *doth* his children,
- 1Th 2:12 That ye would walk worthy of God, who hath called you unto his kingdom and glory.
- 1Th 2:13 For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received *it* not *as* the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe.
- 1Th 2:14 For ye, brethren, became followers of the churches of God which in Judaea are in Christ Jesus: for ye also have suffered like things of your own countrymen, even as they *have* of the Jews:
- 1Th 2:15 Who both killed the Lord Jesus, and their own prophets, and have persecuted us; and they please not God, and are contrary to all men:
- 1Th 2:16 Forbidding us to speak to the Gentiles that they might be saved, to fill up their sins alway: for the wrath is come upon them to the uttermost. [the Jews wrath was upon Christian converts from the Jewish faith, not the Gentiles, so this talking about God's wrath upon Jews]
- 1Th 2:17 But we, brethren, being taken from you for a short time in presence, not in heart, endeavoured the more abundantly to see your face with great desire.
- 1Th 2:18 Wherefore we would have come unto you, even I Paul, once and again; but Satan hindered us.
- 1Th 2:19 For what *is* our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? *Are* not even ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at his coming? [**Parousia**=future presence- Rev 19:14 And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses.]
- [The context is, of gaining the upper hand over the Jews that are doing the persecuting; that makes it a prophecy of the Return of the King rather than the Rapture of the saints]
- 1Th 2:20 For ye are our glory and joy.
- **1Th 3:1** Wherefore when we could no longer forbear, we thought it good to be left at Athens alone;
- 1Th 3:2 And sent Timotheus, our brother, and minister of God, and our fellowlabourer in the gospel of Christ, to establish you, and to comfort you concerning your faith:
 - Act 17:14 Then the brothers immediately sent Paul off on his way to the sea, [Athens] but Silas and Timothy remained there.
- 1Th 3:3 That no man should be moved by these afflictions: for yourselves know that we are appointed thereunto.
- 1Th 3:4 For verily, when we were with you, we told you before that we should suffer tribulation; even as it came to pass, and ye know.
- 1Th 3:5 For this cause, when I could no longer forbear, I sent to know your faith, lest by some means the tempter have tempted you, and our labour be in vain.

- 1Th 3:6 But now when Timotheus came from you unto us, and brought us good tidings of your faith and charity, and that ye have good remembrance of us always, desiring greatly to see us, as we also *to see* you:
- 1Th 3:7 Therefore, brethren, we were comforted over you in all our affliction and distress by your faith:
- 1Th 3:8 For now we live, if ye stand fast in the Lord.
- 1Th 3:9 For what thanks can we render to God again for you, for all the joy wherewith we joy for your sakes before our God;
- 1Th 3:10 Night and day praying exceedingly that we might see your face, and might perfect that which is lacking in your faith?
- 1Th 3:11 Now God himself and our Father, and our Lord Jesus Christ, direct our way unto you.
- 1Th 3:12 And the Lord make you to increase and abound in love one toward another, and toward all *men*, even as we *do* toward you:
- 1Th 3:13 To the end he may stablish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God, even our Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all his saints.
- **1Th 4:1** Furthermore then we beseech you, brethren, and exhort *you* by the Lord Jesus, that as ye have received of us how ye ought to walk and to please God, *so* ye would abound more and more.
- 1Th 4:2 For ye know what commandments we gave you by the Lord Jesus.
- 1Th 4:3 For this is the will of God, *even* your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication:
- 1Th 4:4 That every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour;
- 1Th 4:5 Not in the lust of concupiscence, [longing desire] even as the Gentiles which know not God:
- 1Th 4:6 That <u>no man</u> go beyond and defraud his brother in any matter: because that the Lord is the avenger of all such, as we also have forewarned you and testified.
- 1Th 4:7 For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness.
- 1Th 4:8 He therefore that despiseth, despiseth not man, but God, who hath also given unto us his holy Spirit.
- 1Th 4:9 But as touching brotherly love ye need not that I write unto you: for ye yourselves are taught of God to love one another.
- 1Th 4:10 And indeed ye do it toward all the brethren which are in all Macedonia: but we beseech you, brethren, that ye increase more and more;
- 1Th 4:11 And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you;
- 1Th 4:12 That ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and that ye may have lack

of nothing.

1Th 4:13 But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, [dead-they were worried that as some of their members had died, they had missed the Rapture] that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.

1Th 4:14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.

- 1Co 15:13 But if there be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen:
- 1Co 15:14 And if Christ be not risen, then *is* our preaching vain, and your faith *is* also vain.
- 1Co 15:15 Yea, and we are found false witnesses of God; because we have testified of God that he raised up Christ: whom he raised not up, if so be that the dead rise not.
- 1Co 15:16 For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised:
- 1Co 15:17 And if Christ be not raised, your faith *is* vain; ye are yet in your sins.
- 1Co 15:18 Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished.
- 1Co 15:19 If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable.
- 1Co 15:20 But now is Christ risen from the dead, *and* become the firstfruits of them that slept.
- 1Co 15:21 For since by man *came* death, by man *came* also the resurrection of the dead.
- 1Co 15:22 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.
- 1Co 15:23 But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; [of resurrection] afterward they that are Christ's at his coming. [Rapture Rev6:17 6th Seal]
- 1Co 15:24 Then *cometh* [after that] the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, [Rev 19:>] even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power.

[Rapture verses]

1Th 4:15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive *and* remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent [precede] them which are asleep.

[other scriptural usage of the phrase the coming of the Lord]

- Jas_5:7 Be patient, therefore, brothers, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient about it, until it receives the early and the late rains.
- Jas 5:8 You also, be patient. Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand.

1Th 4:16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

1Th 4:17 Then we which are alive *and* remain shall be caught up [harpazo(grk)=snatch away eg.Harpi Eagle; rapio(lat) transliterated as Rapture=snatch away eg Raptor] together with them

in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

Tit 2:11 For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people,

Tit 2:12 training us [the Church] to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, [Church Age]

Tit 2:13 <u>waiting for our blessed hope</u>, <u>the appearing</u> of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, [the tenet of the Rapture is a comfort to the Church]

Tit 2:14 who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

1Th 4:18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words. [the Return is no comfort]

[To compare the Rapture with the Return; see Rapture]

1Th 5:1 But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you.

Mat 24:32 "From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near.

Mat 24:33 So also, when you see all these things, you know that he is near, at the very gates.

1Th 5:2 For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.

Rev 16:15 Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed *is* he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

[other scriptural usage of the phrase "the day of the Lord"]

[all 19 times it obviously refers to the Return of the King in Rev 19:]

All the usages of this phrase in the scriptures.

1.Isa_13:6 Wail, for the day of the LORD is near; as destruction from the Almighty it will come!

2.Isa_13:9 Behold, the day of the LORD comes, cruel, with wrath and fierce anger, to make the land a desolation and to destroy its sinners from it.

3.Jer_46:10 That day is the day of the Lord GOD of hosts, a day of vengeance, to avenge himself on his foes. The sword shall devour and be sated and drink its fill of their blood. For the Lord GOD of hosts holds a sacrifice in the north country by the river Euphrates.

4.Eze_13:5 You have not gone up into the breaches, or built up a wall for the house of Israel, that it might stand in battle in the day of the LORD.

5.Eze_30:3 For the day is near, the day of the LORD is near; it will be a day of clouds, a time of doom for the nations.

6.Joe_1:15 Alas for the day! For the day of the LORD is near, and as destruction from the Almighty it comes.

7.Joe_2:1 Blow a trumpet in Zion; sound an alarm on my holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble, for the day of the LORD is coming; it is near,

8.Joe_2:11 The LORD utters his voice before his army, for his camp is exceedingly great; he who

executes his word is powerful. For the day of the LORD is great and very awesome; who can endure it?

9.Joe_3:14 Multitudes, multitudes, in the valley of decision! For the day of the LORD is near in the valley of decision.

10.Amo_5:18 Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD! Why would you have the day of the LORD? It is darkness, and not light,

11.Amo_5:20 Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light, and gloom with no brightness in it?

12.Oba_1:15 For the day of the LORD is near upon all the nations. As you have done, it shall be done to you; your deeds shall return on your own head.

12.Zep_1:7 Be silent before the Lord GOD! For the day of the LORD is near; the LORD has prepared a sacrifice and consecrated his guests.

14.Zep_1:14 The great day of the LORD is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter; the mighty man cries aloud there.

15.Act_2:20 the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.

16.1Co_5:5 you are to deliver this man to Satan for the destruction of the flesh, so that his spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord.

17.1Th_5:2 For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night.

18.2Th_2:2 not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by a spirit or a spoken word, or a letter seeming to be from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come.

19.2Pe_3:10 But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed.

1Th 5:3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.

Luk 17:26 Just as it was in the days of Noah, so will it be in the days of the Son of Man.

Luk 17:27 They were eating and drinking and marrying and being given in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all.

Luk 17:28 Likewise, just as it was in the days of Lot—they were eating and drinking, buying and selling, planting and building,

Luk 17:29 but on the day when Lot went out from Sodom, fire and sulfur rained from heaven and destroyed them all—

Luk 17:30 so will it be on the day when the Son of Man is revealed [Apokalupto]

1Th 5:4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.

1Th 5:5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.

1Th 5:6 Therefore let us not sleep, as *do* others; but let us watch and be sober.

1Th 5:7 For they that sleep, sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night.

1Th 5:8 But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation. [Eph 6:13>]

[Jesus will come as a thief to the non-believers, the Church will be watching and waiting]

1Th 5:9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,

Rom 5:9 Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.

1Th 1:10 and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

Rev 3:10 Because you have kept my word about patient endurance, I will keep you from the hour of trial that is coming on the whole world, to try those who dwell on the earth.

2Pe 2:9 then the Lord knows how to rescue the godly from trials, and to keep the unrighteous under punishment until the day of judgment,

Col 1:13 Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath <u>translated</u> us into the kingdom of his dear Son:

methistemi = 1. to transpose, transfer, remove from one place to another **a.** of change of situation or place

Heb 11:5 By faith Enoch was <u>translated</u> that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had <u>translated</u> him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God.

Gen 5:24 And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took[seized] him. [Enoch is a prototype of the Rapture]

[Lot is also a type for the Rapture]

Luk 17:28 Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank,

Luk 17:29 But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and

Luk 17:30 Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed.

Gen 19:22 Escape there quickly, for I can do nothing till you arrive there...

1Pe 1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

1Pe 1:4 to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you,

1Pe 1:5 who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

1Pe 1:6 In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials,

1Pe 1:7 so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and

honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

- 1Th 5:10 Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him.
- 1Th 5:11 Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do.
- 1Th 5:12 And we beseech you, brethren, to know them which labour among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you;
- 1Th 5:13 And to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. *And* be at peace among yourselves.
- 1Th 5:14 Now we exhort you, brethren, warn them that are unruly, comfort the feebleminded, support the weak, be patient toward all *men*.
- 1Th 5:15 See that none render evil for evil unto any *man*; but ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves, and to all *men*.
- 1Th 5:16 Rejoice evermore.
- 1Th 5:17 Pray without ceasing.
- 1Th 5:18 In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.
- 1Th 5:19 Quench not the Spirit.
- 1Th 5:20 Despise not prophesyings.
- 1Th 5:21 Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.
- 1Th 5:22 Abstain from all appearance of evil.
- 1Th 5:23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and *I pray God* your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- 1Th 5:24 Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it.
- 1Th 5:25 Brethren, pray for us.
- 1Th 5:26 Greet all the brethren with an holy kiss.
- 1Th 5:27 I charge you by the Lord that this epistle be read unto all the holy brethren.
- 1Th 5:28 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you. Amen. The first epistle to the Thessalonians was written from Athens.

2 Thessalonians

This letter from the apostle Paul was probably written shortly after his first letter to the church in Thessalonica. He had been boasting of them to other churches, telling of their faith and their love for each other in the face of persecution. Paul reminded them that God will repay their persecutors. He also addressed two recurring problems in this church. First, they were concerned that the Lord had already returned. Paul urged them not to become "shaken in mind or alarmed," fearing that "the day of the Lord" (2:2) had already come. Second, he admonished them not to be idle, commanding them that, "If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat" (3:10).

- 2Th 1:1 Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:
- 2Th 1:2 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
- 2Th 1:3 We ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly, and the love of every one of you for one another is increasing.
- 2Th 1:4 Therefore we ourselves boast about you in the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith in all your persecutions and in the afflictions that you are enduring.
- 2Th 1:5 This is evidence of the righteous judgment of God, that you may be considered worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you are also suffering—
- 2Th 1:6 since indeed God considers it just to repay with affliction those who afflict you,
- 2Th 1:7 and to grant relief to you who are afflicted as well as to us, when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with his mighty angels [referencing the Return of the King Rev 19:>]
- 2Th 1:8 in flaming fire, inflicting vengeance on those who do not know God and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus.
- 2Th 1:9 They will suffer the punishment of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might,
- 2Th 1:10 when he comes on that day to be glorified in his saints, and to be marveled at among all who have believed, because our testimony to you was believed.
- 2Th 1:11 To this end we always pray for you, that our God may make you worthy of his calling and may fulfill every resolve for good and every work of faith by his power,

- 2Th 1:12 so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.
- 2Th 2:1 Now concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we ask you, brothers, [refers to the Rapture]
- 2Th 2:2 not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by a spirit or a spoken word, or a letter seeming to be from us, [fake news] to the effect that the day of the Lord has come.
- 2Th 2:3 Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, unless the rebellion [Apostasia = a falling away, defection (Laodecian Church Rev 3:14>] comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction,["Anti=Christ"]

[In my timeline theory, the "will-be Anti-Christ" will be revealed as the coordinator of the attack upon Israel that instigates the opening of the 6th Seal (Rev6:) and the start of the Psalms 83 war that results in his death so that Satan can resurrect him to power at the 2nd Trumpet (Rev 9:2)

2Th 2:4 who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God.

[Abomination of Desolation (Rev 13:6)]

- 2Th 2:5 Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things?

 Act 17:2 And Paul went in, as was his custom, and on three Sabbath days he reasoned with them from the Scriptures,
- 2Th 2:6 And you know what is restraining him now so that he may be revealed in his time.
- 2Th 2:7 For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work. Only he who now restrains it will do so until he is out of the way. [the Holy Spirit (Isa 54:16]
- 2Th 2:8 And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will kill with the breath of his mouth and bring to nothing by the appearance of his coming. [Rev 20:10]
- 2Th 2:9 The coming of the lawless one is by the activity of Satan with all power and false signs and wonders,
 - Rev 17:8 The beast that you saw was, [Psalms 83 war] and is not,[killed] and is about to rise from the bottomless pit [resurrection and indwelling by Satan] and go to destruction. And the dwellers on earth whose names have not been written in the book of life from the foundation of the world will marvel to see the beast, because it was and is not and is to come.
 - Dan 8:24 His power shall be great—but not by his own power; and he shall cause fearful destruction and shall succeed in what he does, and destroy mighty men and the people who are the saints.
- 2Th 2:10 and with all wicked deception for those who are perishing, because they refused to love the truth and so be saved.
 - Rev 9:20 The rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands nor give up worshiping demons and idols of gold and silver and bronze and stone and wood, which cannot see or hear or walk,
 - Rev 9:21 nor did they repent of their murders or their sorceries or their sexual

immorality or their thefts.

- 2Th 2:11 Therefore God sends them a strong delusion, so that they may believe what is false,
- 2Th 2:12 in order that all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.
- 2Th 2:13 But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth.
 - Rom 8:23 And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies.
 - Jas 1:18 Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures. [His Body the Church]
- 2Th 2:14 To this he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- 2Th 2:15 So then, brothers, stand firm and hold to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by our spoken word or by our letter.
- 2Th 2:16 Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace,
- 2Th 2:17 comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.
- 2Th 3:1 Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored, as happened among you,
- 2Th 3:2 and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men. For not all have faith.
- 2Th 3:3 But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one.
- 2Th 3:4 And we have confidence in the Lord about you, that you are doing and will do the things that we command.
- 2Th 3:5 May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ.
- 2Th 3:6 Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from any brother who is walking in idleness and not in accord with the tradition that you received from us.
- 2Th 3:7 For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us, because we were not idle when we were with you,
- 2Th 3:8 nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you.
- 2Th 3:9 It was not because we do not have that right, but to give you in ourselves an example to imitate.
- 2Th 3:10 For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat.

- 2Th 3:11 For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies.
- 2Th 3:12 Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living.
- 2Th 3:13 As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.
- 2Th 3:14 If anyone does not obey what we say in this letter, take note of that person, and have nothing to do with him, that he may be ashamed.
- 2Th 3:15 Do not regard him as an enemy, but warn him as a brother.
- 2Th 3:16 Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in every way. The Lord be with you all.
- 2Th 3:17 I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. This is the sign of genuineness in every letter of mine; it is the way I write.
- 2Th 3:18 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.