

Letters to the Thessalonians

Feb 26, 2020 to April 1, 2020

First Redeemer Church

Wednesday nights

SESSION 5 – March 25, 2020

In Studio

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Schedule for Letters to the Thessalonians

	Dates	Chapters covered	
✓	Feb 26, 2020	1 Thess Intro - Ch 1 & 2A	
✓	Mar 4, 2020	1 Thess Ch 2B -3	
✓	Mar 11, 2020	1 Thess Chapters 4-5A	
✓	Mar 18, 2020	1 Thess Chapter 5	
✓	Mar 25, 2020	2 Thess Ch 1-2A	
	Apr 1, 2020	2 Thess Ch 2B-3	

Tonight's Discussion

- Review key points in 1 Thessalonians Ch 5
 - David Jeremiah article
- Introduction to 2 Thessalonians
- 2 Thessalonians Chapters 1 and 2
 - Verse by verse discussion
- Closing Discussion and prayer

2 Thessalonians 1:1-2

2 Thessalonians 1 (NIV)

1 Paul, Silas and Timothy,

*To the **church** of the Thessalonians in God
our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:*

***2 Grace and peace** to you from God the
Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.*

2 Thessalonians 1:3-4

³ We ought always to thank God for you, brothers and sisters, and rightly so, because your faith is growing more and more, and the love all of you have for one another is increasing.

⁴ Therefore, among God's churches we boast about your perseverance and faith in all the persecutions and trials you are enduring.

2 Thessalonians 1:5-10

⁵ **All this is evidence that God's judgment is right, and as a result you will be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you are suffering.**

⁶ **God is just: He will pay back trouble to those who trouble you**

⁷ **and give relief to you who are troubled, and to us as well. This will happen when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven in blazing fire with his powerful angels.**

⁸ **He will punish those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus.**

⁹ **They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might**

¹⁰ **on the day he comes to be glorified in his holy people and to be marveled at among all those who have believed. This includes you, because you believed our testimony to you.**

2 Thessalonians 1: 11-12

¹¹ With this in mind, we constantly pray for you, that our God may make you worthy of his calling, and that by his power he may bring to fruition your every desire for goodness and your every deed prompted by faith.

¹² We pray this *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.

2 Thessalonians 2:1-4

2 Concerning the **coming of our Lord Jesus Christ** and **our being gathered to him**, we ask you, brothers and sisters,

2 **not to become easily unsettled or alarmed by the teaching allegedly from us—*whether by a prophecy or by word of mouth or by letter—asserting that the day of the Lord has already come.***

3 ***Don't let anyone deceive you in any way, for that day will not come until the rebellion occurs and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the man doomed to destruction.***

4 He will **oppose and will exalt himself over everything that is called God or is worshiped**, so that **he sets himself up in God's temple, proclaiming himself to be God.**

2 Thessalonians 2:5-8

⁵ Don't you remember that when I was with you, **I used to tell you these things?**

⁶ And now **you know what is holding him back**, so that he may be **revealed at the proper time**.

⁷ For the **secret power of lawlessness is already at work**; but the one who now holds it back will continue to do so **till he is taken out of the way**.

⁸ **And then** the lawless one will be **revealed**, whom the Lord ***Jesus will overthrow with the breath of his mouth and destroy by the splendor of his coming.***

We will stop here for this session

One last thing for tonight

- Perspective from Article by CS Lewis
- Sent by Dr David Reagan, Christ in Prophecy
- <https://christinprophecyblog.org/2020/03/a-biblical-perspective-on-dealing-with-the-coronavirus-crisis/>
- Read when you have a chance