

## 1 THESSALONIANS 5

3/9/24

- Today – Opportunity to give a Bible study
  - Comment – I have chosen to cover a chapter in the Bible – (not a whole book)
  - Title – 1 Thessalonians 5
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### · Quick background information

Acts 17:10-13 (actually – will begin with a little criticism of the people in Thessalonica)  
10 Paul and Silas – went to Berea  
11 the brethren in Berea were more “fair-minded” than those in Thessalonica  
– in that they received the word with all readiness and searched the  
Scripture daily – to find out whether these things were so  
12 therefore many of them believed  
13 when the Jews from Thessalonica learned that the word of God was  
preached by Paul in Berea, they came and stirred up the crowds  
1 Thes. 1:1 Paul, Silvanus and Timothy – to the church of the Thessalonians  
7 you became examples to all in Macedonia and Achaia

- Macedonia was in the northern part of Greece – where Thessalonica was the prominent seaport and the capital of the Roman province of Macedonia
- Achaia was in the southern part of Greece – where the cities of Athens and Corinth are located
- Macedonia (north) & Achaia (south) – are sometimes mentioned together when referring to the whole of Greece

1 Thes. 4:16 the Lord Himself will descend from heaven – with a shout, with the voice  
of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God – and the dead in  
Christ will rise first  
17 then, those who are alive  
18 comfort one another  
1 Thes. 5:1 concerning the times and seasons – I have no need to write to you  
2 you know perfectly – that the day of the Lord comes as a thief in the night  
3 when they say “peace and safety” – sudden destruction comes – like labor  
pains upon a pregnant woman  
John 16:20 you will weep and lament – but your sorrow shall be turned into joy  
21 woman in labor – sorrow turns into joy  
1 Thes. 5:4 you are not in darkness – that this Day should overtake you as a thief  
Matt. 24:36 the Son of God said – of that day and hour, no one knows – not even the  
angels – but My Father only

1 Thes. 5:5 you are all sons of light and sons of the day – we are not of the night nor

of  
     darkness  
 6 therefore, do not sleep – let us watch – be sober  
 7 those who sleep, sleep at night – those who get drunk are drunk at night  
 8 put on the breastplate of faith and love – a helmet of hope of salvation  
 9-10 God did not appoint us to wrath – but to obtain salvation through  
     our Lord  
     Jesus Christ (who died for us) – whether we wake or sleep – (as  
     mentioned in 1 Thes. 4:16-17)  
 11 therefore – comfort each other and edify one another – just as you are  
     already doing  
 12-13 and we urge you (brethren) --  
     · to recognize those who labor among you  
     · who are over you in the Lord and admonish you  
     · to esteem them highly in love for their work's sake  
 Matt. 20:25 rulers – lord it over – exercise great authority  
     26 it shall not be so among you  
     27 be a slave  
     28 be a servant  
 1 Cor. 11:1 imitate me, just as I also imitate Christ  
     2 remember me, and keep the traditions – just as I delivered them to you  
     3 God – Christ – family – (Ephesians 5:22-33)  
 1 Thes. 5:14 we exhort you –  
     · warn the unruly  
     · comfort the fainthearted  
     · uphold the weak  
     · be patient with all  
 15 do not render evil for evil to anyone – always pursue what is good, but  
     always pursue what is good for both yourself and for all  
 16 rejoice always  
 17 pray without ceasing  
 18 in everything, gives thanks – this is the will of God for you  
 19 do not quench the Spirit  
 20 do not despise prophecies  
 21 test all things – hold fast what is good  
     (recognize negative – dwell on positive)  
 22 abstain from every form of evil  
 23 may the God of peace (Himself) sanctify you completely – and may your  
     whole spirit, soul and body be preserved blameless at the coming  
     of our Lord Jesus Christ  
 24 He who calls you is faithful – who will also do it  
 25 brethren – pray for us  
 26 greet all the brethren with a holy kiss  
 27 I charge you by the Lord – that this epistle be read to all the holy brethren  
 28 the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be you – Amen