

1 Thessalonians

Faith, Hope, Love
The Lord Is Coming

1 Thessalonians

Writer(s):

Paul, Silvanus, Timothy

Date of writing:

AD 52

Location of writing:

Corinth

Purpose of writing:

Encouragement, Instruction, Doctrine



PAUL'S SECOND MISSIONARY JOURNEY

- City
- One of the "Seven Churches" - Rev. 2-3
- ← Paul's Route



1 Thessalonians

- Faith (ch. 1-3), Hope (4:13-5:11), Love (4:1-12; 5:12-22)
- The Coming of the Lord (1:10; 2:19; 3:13; 4:13-5:11; 5:23)
- Thanksgiving (1:2; 2:13; 3:9; 5:18)
- Reminder of things they know (1:5; 2:1, 2, 5, 9, 11; 3:3, 4; 4:2; 5:2)
- "Excel still more" in obedience and love (4:1-12)

I. History and Encouragement for the Church (Chapters 1-3)

A. Greeting (1:1)

B. Review of God's Work in Thessalonica (1:2-10)

C. The Nature of Paul's Ministry (2:1-16)

D. Paul's Concern for the Church; Joy over Timothy's Report (2:17-3:10)

E. Paul's Prayer (3:11-13)

II. Exhortations and Doctrine (Chapters 4-5)

A. Exhortations Concerning their Walk (4:1-12)

B. Doctrine Concerning the Coming of the Lord (4:13-5:11)

C. Further Exhortations (5:12-24)

D. Conclusion (5:25-28)

1 Thessalonians 1:1

¹ Paul and Silvanus and Timothy,
To the church of the Thessalonians **in God the Father and
the Lord Jesus Christ:** Grace to you and peace.

1 John 5:20; John 17:20–23