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Paul writes this letter.

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy write this letter to the Thessalonian church. You are in our God, the father. You are in the lord Jesus, the messiah. We wish mercy and peace for you from God, the father, and the lord Jesus, the messiah.

We thank God for you.

Brothers, we must always thank God for you. This is appropriate, because your faith is growing a lot. Your love is increasing for each person individually.

We boast in God's churches about your determination and love, even though you tolerated trouble and persecution. This is evidence of the righteous judgment of God. You are considered a worthy member of God's kingdom. You also suffer for it.

This is just to God: He will repay those who persecute you. He relieved you from the persecution, along with us.

Jesus will appear.

The lord Jesus will appear from the sky in a fiery flame with his powerful angels.

He will inflict punishment on them. They do not know God. They do not obey the good news of our lord Jesus. They will pay the price: eternal ruin, separation from the lord, and no access to his great strength.

He will come. Then his holy ones will honor him. All the believers will admire him. He will accept our approval of you on that day.

That is why we always pray about you: May our God make you worthy of his invitation. May he fill you with every desire for good. May he fill you with every faithful action in power. May you honor the name of our

lord Jesus. May he honor you. May our God and the lord Jesus, the messiah, give you mercy.

The lord has not already come.

Brothers, we urge you regarding the return of our lord Jesus, the messiah, and our joining him: Do not let him disturb you so easily. Do not let him startle you. We did not send any supposed spirit, message, or letter. The day of the lord has not already come.

Do not let him deceive you about any matter. Unless the rebellion occurred first, it would not expose the wicked man. He is the son of destruction.

He is the opponent. He exalts himself in every way: He calls himself a god. He demands worship. He sits in a god's temple. He even claims that he is a god.

Don't you remember? When I was there, I told you this would happen. You know his limitation: God will expose him in due time. His wicked secret is already at work. God will control him until he takes him out. Then God will expose the wicked man. The lord Jesus will destroy him with his breath. He will ruin him after his wonderful return.

The wicked man returns by the power of Satan. He uses all kinds of powers, signs, and deceitful omens. His wicked lies lead them to destruction. They did not love the truth. It could have saved them.

God sent them a powerful deception. They believed a lie. God judged all of them. They will not believe the truth. They prefer wickedness.

We thank God for you.

Brothers, we must always thank God for you. The lord loves you. God chose you. You are the first converts to receive salvation. He made your spirit holy and your faith true. That is why he called you through our good news. Live honorably for our lord Jesus, the messiah.

So, brothers, stand up. Keep the convictions we taught you in our words or letters.

May our lord Jesus, the messiah, and God, our father, love you. May he comfort you forever. May you have a good hope in love. May he encourage your heart. May he strengthen you in every good action and speech.

Pray for us.

Brothers, continue to pray for us. May the word of the lord advance. May it receive honor. You honored it. May God deliver us from wicked and sinful men. Not everyone has faith.

The lord is faithful. He strengthens us. He protects us from evil.

We are confident about you in the lord: You will do what we told you to do. May the lord direct your hearts: Love God. Wait for the messiah.

Avoid every irresponsible brother.

Brothers, we order you in the name of the lord Jesus, the messiah: Avoid every brother who lives irresponsibly. Avoid anyone not living by the convictions we gave them.

You know how you are supposed to imitate us. We were not irresponsible with you. We did not eat free food at your house. We worked hard with labor and toil in the day and at night. We did not burden anyone. It is not that we had no rights. However, we gave you an example. So, imitate us.

When we were with you, we told you: If anyone does not work, he should not eat.

We heard that some of you live an irresponsible life: You do not work. Instead, you are in everyone else's business.

We order such people. We urge them in the lord Jesus, the messiah: Work quietly. Eat your own food.

Brothers, do not get tired of doing good.

Suppose someone does not listen to our words in this letter: Take notice of him. Do not associate with him. He should feel shame. However, do not consider him an enemy. Instead, warn him like a brother.

May the lord of peace give you peace all the time and in every way. May the lord be with every one of you.

This greeting is in my own handwriting. It belongs to Paul. This signature is in every letter. I write like this.

We wish the mercy of our lord Jesus, the messiah, on every one of you.