## SECOND THESSALONIANS STAYING READY

### 1 Thessalonians Review

Model the Love of Christ

Look forward to Jesus' return

Be living in a Christlike manner



## 2 Thessalonians Overview Paul writes to commend, correct, and confront

1. Commend their growth in faith & love

2. Correct their beliefs about Jesus' return

3. Confront idle members of the church

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## 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4

Verse 1: God "our" father...

God is not distant from us

"Grace and peace to you"



Verse 3: ὀφείλομεν

"We ought"

To owe, be indebted, obliged to rectify a debt



Verse 4: Paul is boasting about their faith

# Growth is more important than perfection





Acts 17:1-13

# Paul is driven out of Thessalonica and Berea



### Galatians 6:2

"Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."



"Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope."

Romans 5:3-4

Perseverance = ὑπομονῆς

The enduring patience of a martyr.

God enables the believer to "remain (endure) under" the challenges He allots in life.

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### Two Challenges

If you are hurting: How can you lean into God and your church family?

If you aren't hurting right now: How can you carry each other's burdens?

