

2 Thessalonians

God's Final Judgment and Glory (2 Thessalonians 1:3-12)

Read: God's Final Judgment and Glory (1:3-12)

Explain: God's Final Judgment and Glory (1:3-12)

Are there any literary/structural observations?

What do the words mean?

3 We are bound [present active indicative] **to thank** [*eu*_____ *teo*; present active infinitive; be grateful, express gratitude, say grace at a meal, give thanks] **God always for you, brethren, as it is** [present active indicative] **fitting** [deserving, comparable or suitable, reward, meet, worthy], **because your faith** [*pistis*] **grows exceedingly** [present active indicative], **and the love** [*agape*] **of every one of you all abounds** [present active indicative; cf. 1 Thessalonians 3:12] **toward each other** [one another], **4 so that we ourselves boast** [present middle infinitive; boast, glory, joy, rejoice] **of you among the churches** [*ekklesia*] **of God for your patience** [cheerful (or hopeful) endurance, constancy, enduring, patience, patient continuance, waiting] **and faith** [*pistis*] **in all your** [plural] **persecutions and tribulations** [pressure, afflicted, anguish, burdened, persecution, tribulation, trouble] **that you endure** [present middle indicative; to hold _____ up against, put up with, bear with, endure, forbear, suffer], **5 which is manifest evidence** [indication, manifest token] **of the righteous** [*dikaiois*; equitable, innocent, holy, just, meet, righteous] **judgment** [decision, tribunal, justice, accusation, condemnation, damnation, judgment] **of God, that you may be counted worthy** [aorist passive infinitive; deem entirely deserving, account worthy] **of the kingdom** [royalty, rule, realm, kingdom] **of God, for which you also suffer** [present active indicative; _____, passion, suffer, vex]; **6 since it is a righteous thing** [*dikaiois*; equitable, innocent, holy, just, meet, righteous] **with God to repay** [second aorist active infinitive; to requite good or evil, recompense, render, repay] **with tribulation** [pressure, afflicted, anguish, burdened, persecution, tribulation, trouble] **those who trouble** [present active participle; crowd, afflict, narrow, throng, suffer tribulation, trouble] **you, 7 and to give you who are troubled** [present passive participle; crowd, afflict, narrow, throng, suffer tribulation, trouble] **rest** [relaxation, relief, eased, liberty, rest] **with us when the Lord Jesus is revealed** [*apokalypsis*; disclosure, appearing, coming, lighten, manifestation, be

revealed, revelation] **from heaven** [the sky, heaven, air] **with His mighty** [*dynamis*; force, miraculous power, ability, abundance, meaning, might, miracle, power, strength, violence, mighty work] **angels** [messengers, angel], **8 in flaming** [blaze, flaming] **fire** [*pyr*; fiery, fire] **taking** [present active participle] **vengeance** [vindication, retribution, re-venge-ance, punishment] **on those who do not know** [_____ active participle; be aware, behold, consider, have knowledge, look on, perceive, see, be sure, tell, understand, wish] **God, and on those who do not obey** [present active participle; to hear under (as a subordinate), listen attentively, to heed or conform to a command or authority, hearken, be obedient to, obey; cf. **Isaiah 66:4, 15**; **Who is Paul claiming Jesus to be?** _____] **the gospel** [*euaggelion*; good message, gospel] **of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 These shall be punished** [justice (the principle, a decision, or its execution), judgment, punish, vengeance] **with everlasting** [perpetual, eternal, for ever, everlasting] **destruction** [death, punishment, destruction] **from the presence** [front, countenance, aspect, appearance, surface, face] **of the Lord and from the glory** [glory, dignity, honor, praise, worship] **of His power** [force, forcefulness, ability, might, power, strength; cf. **Isaiah 2:10**], **10 when He comes** [second aorist active subjunctive; comes, appears, brings, enters], **in that Day, to be glorified** [aorist passive infinitive; to glorify] **in His saints** [*hagios*; sacred, holy, saint; cf. **Psalm 89:7**] **and to be admired** [aorist passive infinitive; to wonder, to admire, have in admiration, _____, wonder] **among all those who believe** [*pisteuo*; present active participle; to have faith, credit, to entrust, believe, commit, put in trust with], **because our testimony** [*martyrion*; evidence given, testified, testimony, witness] **among you was believed** [*pisteuo*; aorist passive indicative].

11 Therefore we also pray [present middle/passive indicative; pray, supplicate, worship] **always for you that our God would count you worthy** [aorist active subjunctive; deem entitled or fit, desire, think good, count worthy] **of this calling** [invitation, calling], **and fulfill** [*pleroo*; aorist active subjunctive; make replete, _____ a net, level up a hollow, furnish, satisfy, execute, finish, verify, accomplish, complete, end, expire, fill up, fulfil, be full, make full, fully preach, perfect, supply] **all the good pleasure** [satisfaction, delight, kindness, wish, purpose, desire, good pleasure] **of His goodness** [goodness, virtue, beneficence] **and the work** [*ergon*; work, toil, deed, doing, labor] **of faith** [*pistis*] **with power** [*dynamis*], **12 that the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified** [aorist passive subjunctive; to glorify; cf. **Isaiah 66:5**] **in you, and you in Him, according to the grace** [*charis*; graciousness, acceptable, benefit, favor, gift, gracious, joy, liberality, pleasure, thanks] **of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.**

Are there any repeated words?

You/your (____), _____ (8), Lord (5), Jesus (4), Christ (3), faith (3), glorified/glory (3), always (2), good/goodness (2), power (2), righteous (2), tribulation(s) (2), worthy (2)

Apply (What is the point?)

1. God is due thanks
2. Pressure is coming
3. God is just
4. Christ's return is a comfort
5. God desires pleasure in us in Christ

Personalize (What do we do with that?)

1. Thank _____ for believers in their _____
2. Endure (_____ is better)
3. _____ His judgment
4. Do not _____ **Revelation**
5. Pray for _____ of God's pleasure in us

Next week: The Great Apostasy (2:1-12)

Homework

1. Ask the Holy Spirit for help
2. Read next week's text (multiple times in multiple ways) (**2 Thessalonians 2:1-12**)
3. Talk to someone about the text ([fb.com/OurSundaySchool](https://www.facebook.com/OurSundaySchool) or in person)
4. Share ([fb.com/OurSundaySchool](https://www.facebook.com/OurSundaySchool)) insights and questions by Thursday
5. Invite a member or non-member

Extra Credit

Read **1 Thessalonians** and look for places where Paul's first message got through and places where his first message didn't get through (cf. **1 Thessalonians 3:12** with **2 Thessalonians 1:3**)