

2 Thessalonians

Warning Against Idleness (2 Thessalonians 3:6-15)

Read: Warning Against Idleness (3:6-15)

Explain: Warning Against Idleness (3:6-15)

Are there any literary/structural observations?

Are there any repeated words?

_____/yourselves (12), _____ (11), we (9), do/does/doing (6), any/anyone (4), our/ourselves (4), work/worked/working (4), command/commanded (3), disorderly (3), eat (3), us (3), bread (2), brethren (2), brother (2), Christ (2), follow (2), Jesus (2), Lord (2), walk/walks (2)

What do the words mean?

6 But we command [present active indicative; to transmit a message, to enjoin, (give in) charge, (give) command(-ment), declare] **you, brethren** [*adelphos*], **in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you withdraw** [present middle infinitive; to set fast ("stall"), to repress (reflexively abstain from associating with), _____, withdraw self] **from every brother** [*adelphos*] **who walks** [present active participle; to tread all around, walk at large, to live, deport oneself, follow, go, be occupied with, walk] **disorderly** [irregularly (morally), disorderly] **and not according to the tradition** [*paradosis*; a compound word from *para* (in the presence of) and *dosis* (the act of giving); a _____, transmission, a precept, the Jewish traditional law, ordinance, tradition] **which he received** [second aorist active indicative; receive near, associate with oneself, to assume an office, to learn, receive, take (unto, with)] **from us. 7 For you yourselves know** [perfect active indicative; to see, to know, be aware, behold, can, consider, (have) known(-ledge), look (on), perceive, see, be sure, tell, understand, wist, wot] **how you ought** [present active indicative; it is necessary, behaved, be meet, must (needs), (be) need(-ful), ought, should] **to follow** [*mimeomai*; present middle infinitive; a _____, to imitate, follow] **us, for we were not disorderly** [aorist active indicative; irregular, behave self disorderly] **among you; 8 nor did we eat** [second aorist active indicative] **anyone's bread free of charge** [gratuitously, without a cause, freely, for naught, in vain], **but worked** [*ergazomai*; present middle participle; to toil, effect, be engaged in or with, commit, do, labor for, minister about, trade (by), work] **with labor** [cut, toil, pains,

labor, trouble, weariness] **and toil** [toil, sadness, painfulness, travail] **night and day, that we might not be a burden** [aorist active infinitive; to be heavy upon, to be expensive to, be severe towards, be chargeable to, overcharge] **to any of you, 9 not because we do not have** [present active indicative] **authority** [*exousia*; ability, privilege, force, capability, competency, freedom, mastery, delegated influence, authority, jurisdiction, liberty, power, right, strength], **but to make** [second aorist active subjunctive] **ourselves an example** [*typos*; die, stamp, scar, shape, statue, style, resemblance, sampler, model, instance, example, fashion, figure, form, manner, _____, print] **of how you should follow** [*mimeomai*; present middle infinitive; a mimic, to imitate, follow] **us.**

10 For even when we were [imperfect middle indicative] **with you, we commanded** [imperfect active indicative; to transmit a message, to enjoin, (give in) charge, (give) command(-ment), declare] **you this: If anyone will** [present active indicative] **not work** [*ergazomai*; present middle infinitive; to toil, effect, be engaged in or with, commit, do, labor for, minister about, trade (by), work], **neither shall he eat** [present active imperative]. **11 For we hear** [*akouo*; present active indicative; to hear, give audience, come (to the ears), be noised, be reported, understand] **that there are some who walk** [present active participle; to tread all around, walk at large, to live, deport oneself, follow, go, be occupied with, walk] **among you in a disorderly manner** [irregularly (morally), disorderly], **not working** [*ergazomai*; present middle participle; to toil, effect, be engaged in or with, commit, do, labor for, minister about, trade (by), work] **at all, but are busybodies** [_____ *ergazomai*; present middle participle; to work all around, bustle about (meddle), be a busybody]. **12 Now those who are such we command** [present active indicative; to transmit a message, to enjoin, (give in) charge, (give) command(-ment), declare] **and exhort** [*parakaleo*; present active indicative; to call near, invite, invoke (by imploration, hortation, consolation), beseech, call for, (be of good) comfort, desire, (give) exhortation, intreat, pray] **through our Lord Jesus Christ that they work** [*ergazomai*; present middle participle; to toil, effect, be engaged in or with, commit, do, labor for, minister about, trade (by), work] **in quietness** [stillness, desistance from bustle or language, quietness, _____] **and eat** [present active subjunctive] **their own bread.**

13 But as for you, brethren [*adelphos*], **do not grow weary** [aorist active subjunctive; to be (bad or) weak, to fail (in heart), faint, be weary] **in doing good** [present active participle; to do well, live virtuously, well doing]. **14 And if anyone does not obey** [*hypakouo*; present active indicative; to hear under (as a subordinate), listen attentively, to heed or conform to a command or authority, hearken, be obedient to, obey] **our word** [*logos*] **in** [*dia*] **this epistle, note** [present

middle imperative; to distinguish, mark (for avoidance) note] **that person and do not keep company with** [present middle infinitive; to mix up together, associate with, (have, keep) company (with)] **him, that he may be ashamed** [second aorist middle subjunctive; to invert, to respect, to confound, regard, (give) reverence, shame]. **15 Yet do not count** [present middle imperative; to lead, command, deem, consider, account, (be) chief, count, esteem, governor, judge, have the rule over, suppose, think] **him as an enemy** [hateful (passively odious or actively hostile), adversary, enemy, foe], **but admonish** [*noutheteo*; present active imperative; to put in _____, caution or reprove gently, admonish, warn] **him as a brother** [*adelphos*].

Apply (What is the point?)

1. Believing the gospel has _____ implications
2. Brothers don't ignore brothers' bad behavior
3. Christians have good examples to follow
4. Working for our Lord Jesus Christ is _____

Personalize (What do we do with that?)

1. Withdraw and admonish wisely
2. _____ as needed
3. _____ good examples
4. Get to work by working _____ (not for) our salvation

Next week: Benediction (3:16-18)

Homework

1. Ask the Holy Spirit for help
2. Read next week's text (multiple times/multiple ways) (**2 Thessalonians 3:16-18**)
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

1. Ask the Holy Spirit to show you a brother (or sister) you need to 'engage' with
2. Get to work engaging with that brother or sister