

# ANTICIPATE!

LOOKING FORWARD TO CHRIST'S RETURN A STUDY THROUGH 1 THESSALONIANS

## Final Instructions

### 1 Thessalonians 5:12-28(NIV)

**1Thessalonians 5:12-28** Now we ask you, brothers and sisters, to acknowledge those who work hard among you, who care for you in the Lord and who admonish you. <sup>13</sup> Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work. Live in peace with each other. <sup>14</sup> And we urge you, brothers and sisters, warn those who are idle and disruptive, encourage the disheartened, help the weak, be patient with everyone. <sup>15</sup> Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always strive to do what is good for each other and for everyone else. <sup>16</sup> Rejoice always, <sup>17</sup> pray continually, <sup>18</sup> give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. <sup>19</sup> Do not quench the Spirit. <sup>20</sup> Do not treat prophecies with contempt <sup>21</sup> but test them all; hold on to what is good, <sup>22</sup> reject every kind of evil. <sup>23</sup> May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>24</sup> The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it. <sup>25</sup> Brothers and sisters, pray for us. <sup>26</sup> Greet all God's people with a holy kiss. <sup>27</sup> I charge you before the Lord to have this letter read to all the brothers and sisters. <sup>28</sup> The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

Some of the believers had been given the gift of **TEACHING** some of **PREACHING**.

- **RECOGNIZE** their gifts and **RESPECT** them.
- Obey those whom **GOD HAS PROVIDED** to be your **SPIRITUAL GUIDES** and **ELDERS** in the faith.
- Be at **PEACE** among yourselves.
- We need to **GET ALONG** and **WORK TOGETHER**.
- We must employ the **GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT** to **LIVE IN PEACE** with each other.

**Galatians 5:22-23 NIV** But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup> gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

Do not repay evil with evil to your enemy

- Kill them with **KINDNESS**
- React in a supernatural way **REFLECTING** our **FELLOWSHIP** with Jesus Christ.

**Romans 12:17-20 NIV** Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. <sup>18</sup> If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. <sup>19</sup> Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord. <sup>20</sup> On the contrary: "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head."

### Traits or Habits of the Christian

- **JOYFULNESS**
- **PRAYERFULNESS**
- **THANKFULNESS**
- Do not **PUT OUT** the Spirit's fire-do not stifle the **SPIRIT'S WORK** in our midst...whether in worship, church ministry or in an individual Christian.
- **EVALUATE** everything we hear or read by the only true and good standard – **GOD'S WORD**.
- **HOLD ON** to the good, **REJECT** the evil.
- Paul Begins and ends this letter with God's **PEACE** and His **GRACE**.
- We are "triune beings" **SPIRIT, SOUL, BODY**, each part to be set aside for God's purposes.
- It is His will as we read in 1 Thessalonians 4:3 and in 4:7 that we are called to live **HOLY** lives.

We don't do it on our own. It is the work of **JESUS CHRIST**.

**Philippians 1:6 NIV** being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

- We are **COMMANDED** to read this **ALoud** to all the brothers.

**Romans 10:17 KJV** So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

**Romans 1:16 (ESV)** For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes...

David Fannon, Associate Pastor  
New Life Church/March 21, 2021

# ANTICIPATE!

LOOKING FORWARD TO CHRIST'S RETURN A STUDY THROUGH 1 THESSALONIANS

## Final Instructions

### 1 Thessalonians 5:12-28(NIV)

**1Thessalonians 5:12-28** Now we ask you, brothers and sisters, to acknowledge those who work hard among you, who care for you in the Lord and who admonish you. <sup>13</sup> Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work. Live in peace with each other. <sup>14</sup> And we urge you, brothers and sisters, warn those who are idle and disruptive, encourage the disheartened, help the weak, be patient with everyone. <sup>15</sup> Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always strive to do what is good for each other and for everyone else. <sup>16</sup> Rejoice always, <sup>17</sup> pray continually, <sup>18</sup> give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. <sup>19</sup> Do not quench the Spirit. <sup>20</sup> Do not treat prophecies with contempt <sup>21</sup> but test them all; hold on to what is good, <sup>22</sup> reject every kind of evil. <sup>23</sup> May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>24</sup> The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it. <sup>25</sup> Brothers and sisters, pray for us. <sup>26</sup> Greet all God's people with a holy kiss. <sup>27</sup> I charge you before the Lord to have this letter read to all the brothers and sisters. <sup>28</sup> The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

Some of the believers had been given the gift of **TEACHING** some of **PREACHING**.

- **RECOGNIZE** their gifts and **RESPECT** them.
- Obey those whom **GOD HAS PROVIDED** to be your **SPIRITUAL GUIDES** and **ELDERS** in the faith.
- Be at **PEACE** among yourselves.
- We need to **GET ALONG** and **WORK TOGETHER**.
- We must employ the **GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT** to **LIVE IN PEACE** with each other.

**Galatians 5:22-23 NIV** But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup> gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

Do not repay evil with evil to your enemy

- Kill them with **KINDNESS**
- React in a supernatural way **REFLECTING** our **FELLOWSHIP** with Jesus Christ.

**Romans 12:17-20 NIV** Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. <sup>18</sup> If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. <sup>19</sup> Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord. <sup>20</sup> On the contrary: "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head."

### Traits or Habits of the Christian

- **JOYFULNESS**
- **PRAYERFULNESS**
- **THANKFULNESS**
- Do not **PUT OUT** the Spirit's fire-do not stifle the **SPIRIT'S WORK** in our midst...whether in worship, church ministry or in an individual Christian.
- **EVALUATE** everything we hear or read by the only true and good standard – **GOD'S WORD**.
- **HOLD ON** to the good, **REJECT** the evil.
- Paul Begins and ends this letter with God's **PEACE** and His **GRACE**.
- We are "triune beings" **SPIRIT, SOUL, BODY**, each part to be set aside for God's purposes.
- It is His will as we read in 1 Thessalonians 4:3 and in 4:7 that we are called to live **HOLY** lives.

We don't do it on our own. It is the work of **JESUS CHRIST**.

**Philippians 1:6 NIV** being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

- We are **COMMANDED** to read this **ALoud** to all the brothers.

**Romans 10:17 KJV** So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

**Romans 1:16 (ESV)** For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes...

David Fannon, Associate Pastor  
New Life Church/March 21, 2021