



NEW TESTAMENT • PAULINE LETTERS

2 Thessalonians

Patient faithfulness amid confusion.

AUTHORSHIP · Attributed to Paul, with Silvanus and Timothy; authorship is debated.

DATE & CONTEXT · Traditionally about AD 51–52.

The big picture

This letter addresses suffering, confusion about the day of the Lord, and disorder within the church. Readers are urged not to panic at alarming claims or abandon responsible living. God’s justice gives hope to the afflicted, while prayer and steadfast conduct remain necessary. Difficult prophetic passages call for humility; the clear practical invitation is to stand firm and keep doing good.

Words to carry

“But ye, brethren, be not weary in well doing.”

2 Thessalonians 3:13 · KJV

Live it

01 Check an alarming spiritual claim before repeating it.

02 Continue one useful responsibility you are tempted to neglect.

03 Pray for people enduring persecution or injustice.

Pause & reflect

Does my expectation of the future strengthen or distract from present faithfulness?

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