

Lion and Lamb Apologetics'

2 THESSALONIANS

AN OVERVIEW

Purpose

To clear up the confusion about the Second Coming of Jesus

Author

Paul

Date

Written from Corinth about AD 51-52, a few months after 1 Thessalonians.

Audience

To the church at Thessalonica and all believers everywhere

Setting

As strange as it may seem, the Thessalonians may have fallen victim to the bizarre notion that the day of the Lord, understood in its normal sense, had already come. As a result, they were shaken and frightened and they were also undergoing persecution, which may have exacerbated their confusion about the Second Coming and end-time events.

Special Features

A follow-up letter to 1 Thessalonians, wherein Paul indicates various events that must precede the Second Coming of Jesus.



Key Verses

“As for us, we can’t help but thank God for you, dear brothers and sisters loved by the Lord. We are always thankful that God chose you to be among the first to experience salvation—a salvation that came through the Spirit who makes you holy and through your belief in the truth. He called you to salvation when we told you the Good News; now you can share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.” (2:13-14 NLT)

“But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen you and protect you from the evil one.” (3:3 NIV)

“As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.” (3:13 ESV)

Key People

Paul, Silas, Timothy

Key Place

Thessalonica