

1 THESSALONIANS 3:1-13

Paul's _____

1 Finally, when we could stand it no longer, we decided to stay alone in Athens,
2 and we sent Timothy to visit you. He is our brother and God's co-worker in
proclaiming the Good News of Christ. We sent him to strengthen you, to
encourage you in your faith,
3 and to keep you from being shaken by the troubles you were going through.
But you know that we are destined for such troubles.
4 Even while we were with you, we warned you that troubles would soon come—
and they did, as you well know.
5 That is why, when I could bear it no longer, I sent Timothy to find out whether
your faith was still strong. I was afraid that the tempter had gotten the best of you
and that our work had been useless.

Paul Sent Timothy To

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Paul Was Afraid That

They Had Forgotten His Warning

The Tempter Had Gotten The Best Of Them

His Work Had Been Useless

1 Peter 4:12 Dear friends, don't be surprised at the fiery trials you are going
through, as if something strange were happening to you.
13 Instead, be very glad—for these trials make you partners with Christ in his
suffering, so that you will have the wonderful joy of seeing his glory when it is
revealed to all the world.

Hebrews 10:32 Think back on those early days when you first learned about
Christ. Remember how you remained faithful even though it meant terrible
suffering.

33 Sometimes you were exposed to public ridicule and were beaten, and
sometimes you helped others who were suffering the same things.

34 You suffered along with those who were thrown into jail, and when all you owned was taken from you, you accepted it with joy. You knew there were better things waiting for you that will last forever.

35 So do not throw away this confident trust in the Lord. Remember the great reward it brings you!

36 Patient endurance is what you need now, so that you will continue to do God's will. Then you will receive all that he has promised.

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6 But now Timothy has just returned, bringing us good news about your faith and love. He reports that you always remember our visit with joy and that you want to see us as much as we want to see you.

7 So we have been greatly encouraged in the midst of our troubles and suffering, dear brothers and sisters, because you have remained strong in your faith.

8 It gives us new life to know that you are standing firm in the Lord.

9 How we thank God for you! Because of you we have great joy as we enter God's presence.

Romans 12:9 Don't just pretend to love others. Really love them. Hate what is wrong. Hold tightly to what is good.

10 Love each other with genuine affection, and take delight in honoring each other.

11 Never be lazy, but work hard and serve the Lord enthusiastically.

12 Rejoice in our confident hope. Be patient in trouble, and keep on praying.

13 When God's people are in need, be ready to help them. Always be eager to practice hospitality.

14 Bless those who persecute you. Don't curse them; pray that God will bless them.

15 Be happy with those who are happy, and weep with those who weep.

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10 Night and day we pray earnestly for you, asking God to let us see you again to fill the gaps in your faith.

11 May God our Father and our Lord Jesus bring us to you very soon.

12 And may the Lord make your love for one another and for all people grow and overflow, just as our love for you overflows.

13 May he, as a result, make your hearts strong, blameless, and holy as you stand before God our Father when our Lord Jesus comes again with all his holy people. Amen.

Paul Was Praying To See Them Again So He Could Help Them

Help Them With Their _____

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Romans 5:1 Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us.

2 Because of our faith, Christ has brought us into this place of undeserved privilege where we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully look forward to sharing God's glory.

3 We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they help us develop endurance.

4 And endurance develops strength of character, and character strengthens our confident hope of salvation.

5 And this hope will not lead to disappointment. For we know how dearly God loves us, because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love.