2 THESSALONIANS 3:1-18

Paul's		Request		
	1 Finally, dear brothers and sisters, we ask you to pray for us. Pray that the Lord's message will spread rapidly and be honored wherever it goes, just as when it came to you.			
:	2 Pray, too, that we will be rescued from wicked and evil people, for not everyone s a believer.			
;	3 But the Lord is faithful; he will strengthen you and guard you from the evil one. 4 And we are confident in the Lord that you are doing and will continue to do the things we commanded you.			
	5 May the Lord lead your hearts into a full understanding and expression of the love of God and the patient endurance that comes from Christ.			
	The	Spread Of The Gospel		
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	Galatians 1:6 I am shocked that you are turning away so soon from God, who called you to himself through the loving mercy of Christ. You are following a different way that pretends to be the Good News 7 but is not the Good News at all. You are being fooled by those who deliberately twist the truth concerning Christ. 8 Let God's curse fall on anyone, including us or even an angel from heaven, who preaches a different kind of Good News than the one we preached to you.			
	The _	Nature Of God		
		Ephesians 3:16 I pray that from his glorious, unlimited resources he will empower you with inner strength through his Spirit.		
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		6 And now, dear brothers and sisters, we give you this command in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ: Stay away from all believers who live idle lives and don't follow the tradition they received from us.		
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- 7 For you know that you ought to imitate us. We were not idle when we were with you.
- 8 We never accepted food from anyone without paying for it. We worked hard day and night so we would not be a burden to any of you.
- 9 We certainly had the right to ask you to feed us, but we wanted to give you an example to follow.
- 10 Even while we were with you, we gave you this command: "Those unwilling to work will not get to eat."

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- 11 Yet we hear that some of you are living idle lives, refusing to work and meddling in other people's business.
- 12 We command such people and urge them in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ to settle down and work to earn their own living.
- 13 As for the rest of you, dear brothers and sisters, never get tired of doing good.
- 14 Take note of those who refuse to obey what we say in this letter. Stay away from them so they will be ashamed.
- 15 Don't think of them as enemies, but warn them as you would a brother or sister.
- 2 Timothy 2:23 Again I say, don't get involved in foolish, ignorant arguments that only start fights.
- 24 A servant of the Lord must not quarrel but must be kind to everyone, be able to teach, and be patient with difficult people.
- 25 Gently instruct those who oppose the truth. Perhaps God will change those people's hearts, and they will learn the truth.
- 26 Then they will come to their senses and escape from the devil's trap. For they have been held captive by him to do whatever he wants.

Romans 16:17 And now I make one more appeal, my dear brothers and sisters. Watch out for people who cause divisions and upset people's faith by teaching things contrary to what you have been taught. Stay away from them.

18 Such people are not serving Christ our Lord; they are serving their own personal interests. By smooth talk and glowing words they deceive innocent people.

Titus 3:9 Do not get involved in foolish discussions about spiritual pedigrees or in quarrels and fights about obedience to Jewish laws. These things are useless and a waste of time.

- 10 If people are causing divisions among you, give a first and second warning. After that, have nothing more to do with them.
- 11 For people like that have turned away from the truth, and their own sins condemn them.

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- 16 Now may the Lord of peace himself give you his peace at all times and in every situation. The Lord be with you all.
- 17 Here is my greeting in my own handwriting—Paul. I do this in all my letters to prove they are from me.
- 18 May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.