



## FIRST THESSALONIANS: THE LORD'S COMING

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<b>Outline</b>	1-3	4-5
<b>Focus</b>	Paul's Ministry to the Thessalonians	Paul's Message to the Thessalonians
	<i>"You had become very dear to us"</i>	<i>"The dead in Christ shall rise first"</i>
<b>Key Verse</b>	2:8	4:16

Together, First and Second Thessalonians contain nearly two dozen references to \_\_\_\_\_.

### **Paul's Ministry to the Thessalonians [1-3]**

*For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.* 1 THESSALONIANS 1:9-10 ESV

*When you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men but as what it really is, the word of God, which is at work in you believers.* 1 THESSALONIANS 2:13 ESV

## Paul's Message to the Thessalonians [4-5]

- Concerning \_\_\_\_\_

*For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you abstain from sexual immorality; that each one of you know how to control his own body in holiness and honor, not in the passion of lust like the Gentiles who do not know God. 1*

THESSALONIANS 4:3-5 ESV

*For God has not called us for impurity, but in holiness. Therefore whoever disregards this, disregards not man but God, who gives his Holy Spirit to you. 1*

THESSALONIANS 4:7-8 ESV

- Concerning \_\_\_\_\_

*For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. 1* THESSALONIANS 4:16-17 ESV

*Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.*

1 THESSALONIANS 5:23-24 ESV