

Message #1  
Intro +  
Chapter 1

# 1 Thessalonians

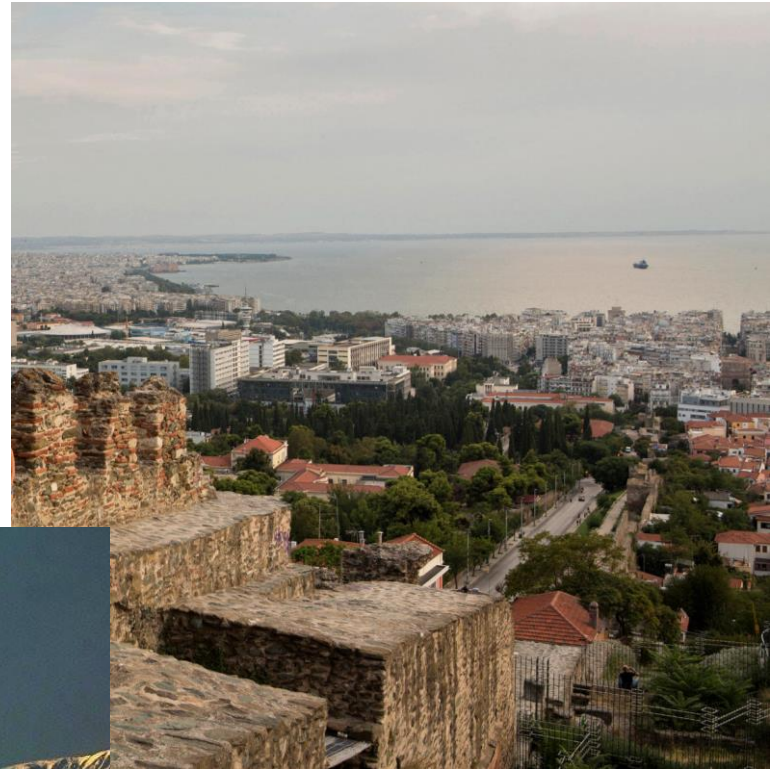
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*3:13 so that he may establish  
your hearts blameless in  
holiness before our God and  
Father, at the coming of our  
Lord Jesus with all his saints*

*Meeting the Lord*

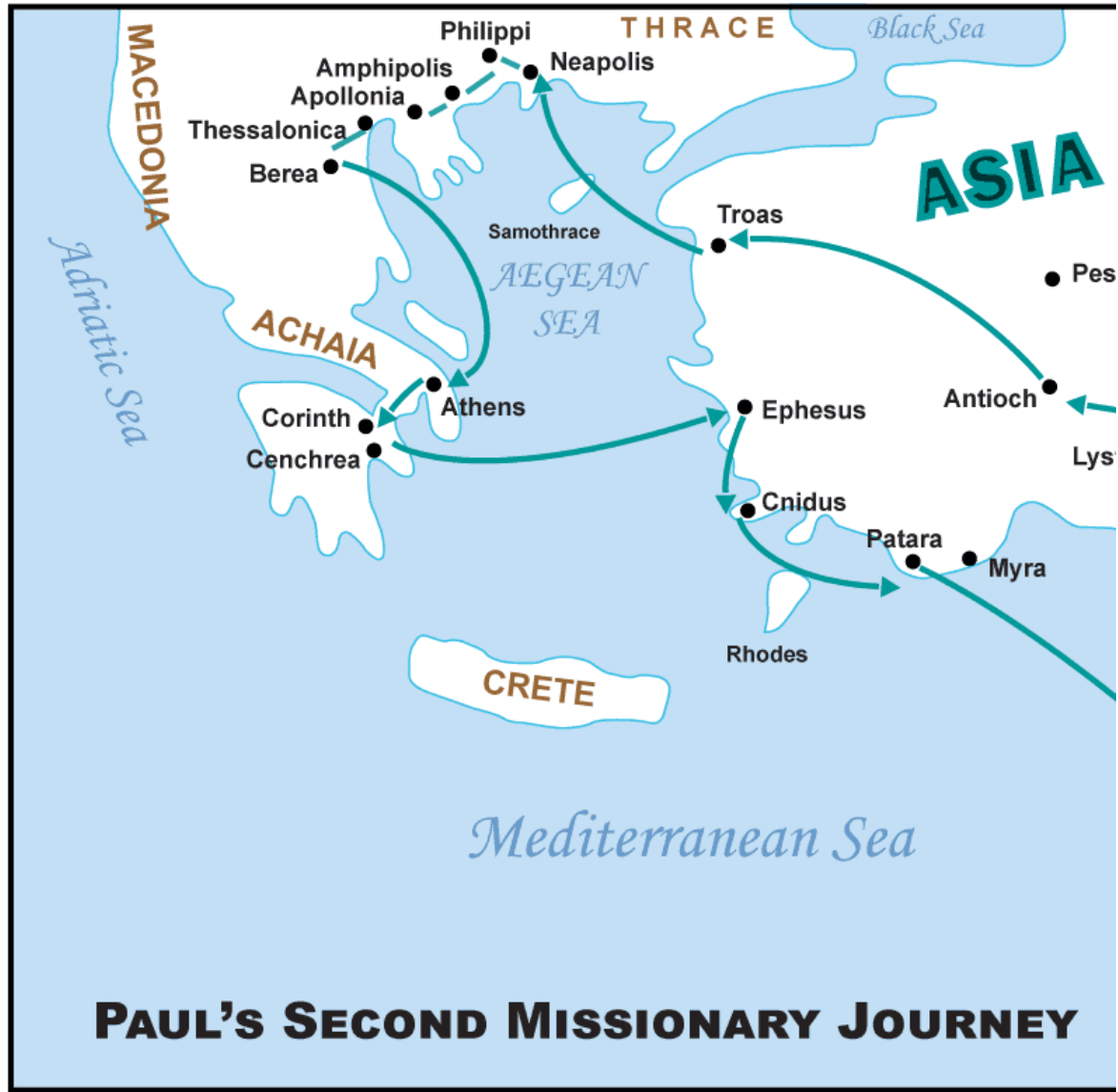


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Mt. Olympus from  
Thessalonica



# Acts 17:1-9



## Major Themes

1. Return of Christ (16 times!)
2. Suffering in Persecution
3. Methods & Motives for Ministry
4. Idleness in the Church
5. Sexuality—Sanctified or Otherwise...

# What's the book about???

1:1-3:13—The team's prayers and memories culminating in 3:11-13.

4:1-5:11—Doctrine about Christ returning with some exhortations.

5:12-5:28—A TON of seemingly unconnected exhortations, including one to “kiss” the brothers!

# How should the Thessalonians prepare to Meet the Lord Jesus Christ?

1:1-3:13—The Thessalonians were prepared to meet the Lord Jesus Christ because they received the word. *(split into 2 messages)*

4:1-5:11—The Thessalonians should prepare to meet the Lord Jesus Christ by...

5:12-5:28—The Thessalonians should prepare to meet the Lord Jesus Christ by...



*1:6 ...for you received  
the word in much  
affliction, with the joy  
of the Holy Spirit*

