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Worship in Fellowship
Worship in Music
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Jeremy Mikeska

Glorify Jesus

2 Thessalonians 1:1-12

Outstanding Series

Life Change: We glorify Jesus

God, I do not understand...

*I said God I do not understand this world
everything is dying and broken
why do I see nothing but suffering
God I'm asking could this be Your plan
Sin has taken hold of this whole land
Will You not say anything else to me?¹*

- Ghost Ship

Grace changes everything. And grace brings peace

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The Thessalonian example of grace and peace lived out

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Faith growing abundantly

Love for one another increasing

Steadfastness during hardship

The affliction of those who afflict

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The final horror of sin is that it separates the sinner from God.¹

- Leon Morris

The blessing of the redeemed is to glorify Jesus

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Am I glorifying Jesus?

"Do I leave behind peace in lives-or turmoil?"

"Do I leave behind forgiveness-or bitterness?"

"Do I leave behind contentment-or conflict?"

"Do I leave behind flowers of joy-or frustration?"

"Do I leave behind love-or rancor?"²

- Phillip Keller

¹ Huxford, Cam/Echelberger, Brian Kevin, Ghost Ship, *Where were You- The Good King Album*. songlyrics.com.

¹ Morris, L. (1984). *1 and 2 Thessalonians: An introduction and commentary* (Vol. 13, p. 120). Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press.

² Keller, W. Phillip. (1970, 2007). *A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23*. (p 160). Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan.



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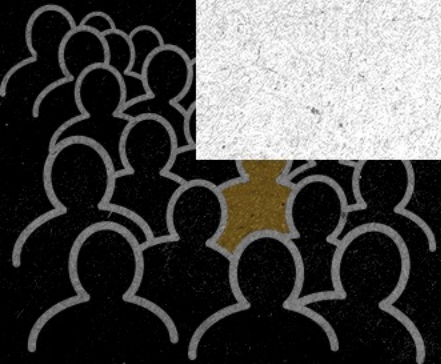
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PLEASE SILENCE YOUR PHONE

Where Were You?

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Chichagof Harbor, Attu, 1937 with surrounding ridges. Image courtesy of the US Fish and Wildlife Service, B-50397



US Troops in the snow and ice of Attu, May 1943.

Image courtesy of the National Park Service.



Statue of Joseph P. Martinez in Denver, Colorado.
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Wayne Braudrick

Although secular fundamentalist “progressives” might believe in a future “golden age,” such an age does not exist. The future that they herald is merely one of gathering gloom and ever darkening clouds. This fate has ever been so for those who proclaim their “Pride.” They have nothing to expect in the future but their fall.



Braudrick, M. Wayne. (May 2023).

“The Great Commencement Speech.” Frisco Bible Church Redeemed Community Newsletter.





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Charles Ryrie

“commercial activity had two important results. First, it made Thessalonica a wealthy city.... Second, it brought Thessalonica a reputation for evil and licentiousness.”



2 Thessalonians 1:1-2

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy:

To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

² Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.



2 Thessalonians 1:2

² **Grace to you
and peace
from God our
Father and
the Lord Jesus
Christ.**



GRACE

**God's
Riches
At
Christ's
Expense**



2 Thessalonians 1:3-4

³ We ought to thank God always for you, brothers and sisters, and rightly so, since your faith is flourishing and the love each one of you has for one another is increasing.

⁴ Therefore, we ourselves boast about you among God's churches—about your perseverance and faith in all the persecutions and afflictions that you are enduring.





Hyperauxanei-overflowing growth

John 13:35

³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.



Acts 17:5-9

⁵ But the Jews became jealous, and they brought together some wicked men from the marketplace, formed a mob, and started a riot in the city. Attacking Jason's house, they searched for them to bring them out to the public assembly. ⁶ When they did not find them, they dragged Jason and some of the brothers before the city officials, shouting, "These men who have turned the world upside down have come here too, ⁷ and Jason has welcomed them. They are all acting contrary to Caesar's decrees, saying that there is another king—Jesus." ⁸ The crowd and city officials who heard these things were upset. ⁹ After taking a security bond from Jason and the others, they released them.



Thomas Constable

Because of such good growth the apostles frequently spoke with justifiable pride to other churches about the Thessalonians, using the Thessalonian church as a model to be emulated. In particular, their perseverance (*hypomonēs*; cf. 1 Thes. 1:3; 2 Thes. 3:5) in the midst of persecutions was outstanding. The Thessalonians did not react to discomfort the way many Christians do, by running away from their uncomfortable situations.

Thomas Constable

Instead they viewed their circumstances as God's will and determined to brace up under the pressure. Their attitude was not to endure by force of their own strength, however. They had faith in God; they looked to Him for grace sufficient to bear up and accepted their circumstances as conditions which He was allowing for His glory.



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Denise Schager

**“All the
things!”**



2 Thessalonians 1:5-8

⁵ It is clear evidence of God's righteous judgment that you will be counted worthy of God's kingdom, for which you also are suffering, ⁶ since it is just for God to repay with affliction those who afflict you ⁷ and to give relief to you who are afflicted, along with us. This will take place at the revelation of the Lord Jesus from heaven with his powerful angels, ⁸ when he takes vengeance with flaming fire on those who don't know God and on those who don't obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus.



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Leon Morris

In a moral universe sin cannot go unpunished. The sinner always hopes that he will escape penalty, but, because God is over all, this is quite impossible. 'Punishment is the other half of sin' (Denney).



Leon Morris

NIV has simply *God is just*, and this is the force of it. Paul grounds the certainty of final judgment in the righteous nature of God. Because God is just we must expect the ultimate righting of wrongs; that God will repay 'seems an essential constituent of any teaching about God's judgement' (Best). Jesus taught that there would be 'woe' for some as well as blessing for others (Luke 6:20–26). The verb *pay back* (*antapo didōmi*) contains the notion of what is due.

Romans 6:23

**23 For the
wages of sin
is death,...**



Deuteronomy 32:35

**³⁵ Vengeance belongs
to me; I will repay.
In time their foot will slip,
for their day of
disaster is near,
and their doom
is coming quickly.**



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John 14:23

23 ... “If anyone loves me, he will keep my word. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him.



1 John 4:19

**19 We love because he
first loved us.**



1 John 5:3-4

**³ For this is what love for God is: to keep his commands. And his commands are not a burden,
⁴ because everyone who has been born of God conquers the world. This is the victory that has conquered the world: our faith.**



2 Thessalonians 1:9-10

⁹ They will pay the penalty of eternal destruction from the Lord's presence and from his glorious strength ¹⁰ on that day when he comes to be glorified by his saints and to be marveled at by all those who have believed, because our testimony among you was believed.



Leon Morris

The final horror of sin is that it separates the sinner from God.





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2 Thessalonians 1:11-12

¹¹ In view of this, we always pray for you that our God will make you worthy of his calling, and by his power fulfill your every desire to do good and your work produced by faith, ¹² so that the name of our Lord Jesus will be glorified by you, and you by him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.



Randall Satchell

Do we truly believe that unbelievers will be "punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the majesty of his power"? Do we live like we believe this? Do we see those unbelievers around us, especially those with whom we disagree or whom we don't particularly like, as momentary nuisances, pains to be suffered until we can get relief in distance or situation? Or do we see these people as they truly are - eternal beings who will live forever, either eternally with God or eternally separated from him?



Randall Satchell

Have we told them of the love and grace of God in Christ? "How can they believe," Paul asked the faithful in Rome, "in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them?" (Rom. 10:14)

And then what about us? Do we truly believe that we as Christ-followers will spend eternity in "the presence of the Lord" and "the majesty of his power"? Do we live like we believe this? Do we conduct our lives minute-by-minute infused with the knowledge that heaven is a real place?





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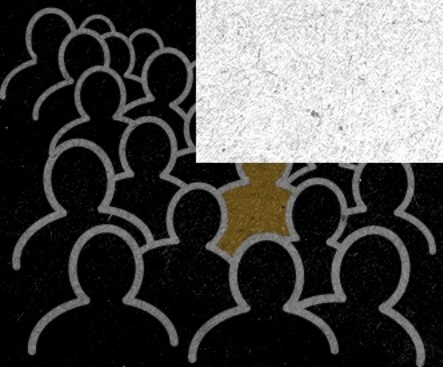
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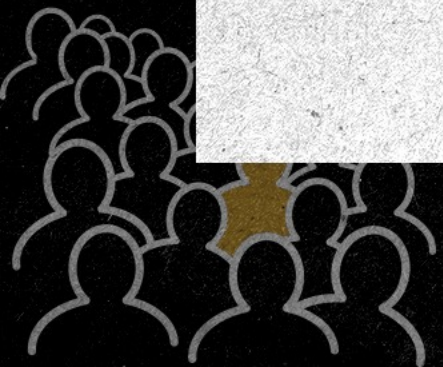
Psalm 23 (ESV)

- ¹ The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.***
- ² He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters.***
- ³ He restores my soul.
He leads me in paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.***



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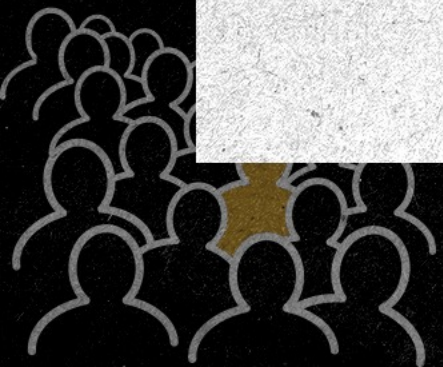
***4 Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil,
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.***



Psalm 23 (ESV)

***⁵ You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.***

***⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD
Forever.***



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W. PHILLIP KELLER

A
Shepherd
LOOKS AT
Psalms
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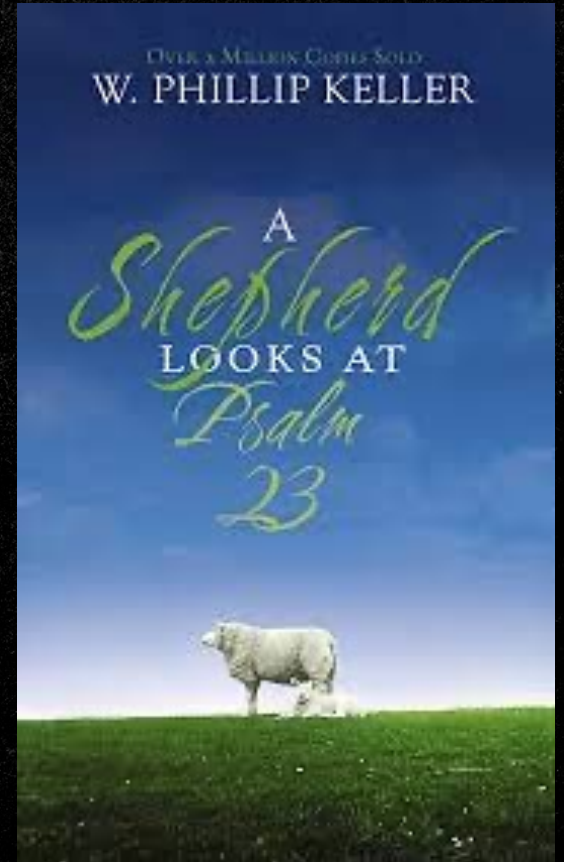
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There is a positive, practical aspect in which my life in turn should be one whereby goodness and mercy follow in my footsteps for the well-being of others.

Just as God's goodness and mercy flow to me all the days of my life, so goodness and mercy should follow me, should be left behind me as a legacy to others wherever I may go.

-Keller



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-Keller

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Gratitude- I am They

All my words fall short, I got nothing new
How could I express all my gratitude?
I could sing these songs as I often do
But every song must end and You never do

I've got one response, I've got just one move
With my arm stretched wide, I will worship You



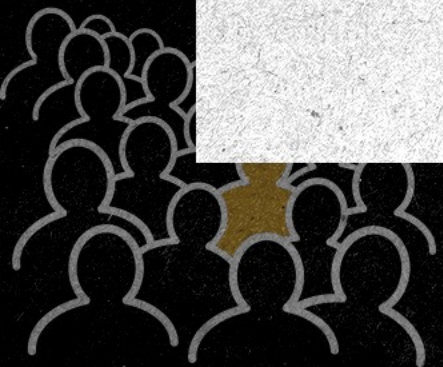
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**So come on, my soul
Don't you get shy on me
Lift up your song
'Cause you've got a lion inside of those lungs**



Gratitude- I am They

**So I throw up my hands
And praise You again and again
'Cause all that I have is a hallelujah, hallelujah
I know it's not much
But I've nothing else fit for a King
Except for a heart singing hallelujah, hallelujah**





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