

2 Thessalonians 2:13-17
“Truth, not Tinsel (aka “the shiny thing”)
July 5, 2026
Hymn # 622 (B) “Thank You Lord”

Thesis Verse - 2:3 - “Let no one deceive you by any means: for that Day will not come unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition.”

Chapter Theme - “Avoiding Apostasy through thankfulness for the calling of Jesus to believe the Gospel.”

1. Is the Shiny thing true? What does the Bible say about Election?
 - a. Election
 - i. Ephesians 1:4
 - ii. Romans 8:28-30
 - iii. 1 Peter 1:1-2
 - iv. 2 Timothy 1:9
 - b. Free Will
 - i. 2 Peter 3:9*
 - ii. Revelation 3:20
 - iii. Mark 8:34
 - iv. Isaiah 55:6-7
 - c. Call to Salvation vs Post Salvific works
2. Endurance of the Saints because of the revelation of Jesus and God’s calling to salvation
 - a. vs 15 - “therefore”, or because of
 - b. Encouragement and Thankfulness
 - c. Ch. 3 context
 - i. 1-5 pray for one another to endure in their faith
 - ii. 6-10 act like a believer
 - iii. 11-15 admonish the brother who does not walk according to the Gospel (15)
 - iv. 16-18 Peace be given
3. Some application
 - a. Context is King. Know your Hermeneutics
 - b. Don’t settle for shiny, the treasure is better
 - c. The power of Thankfulness (1 Thess. 5:16-18; Col. 3:15; Phil. 4:6-7)
 - i. Aids in faithfulness
 - ii. Avoiding Apostasy
 - iii. Gratitude and appreciation
 - iv. Humility

Benediction: Romans 11:11-36