



**THE WORTHY LIFE**

**1 THESSALONIANS**

**"Genuine Faith in Difficult Circumstances"**

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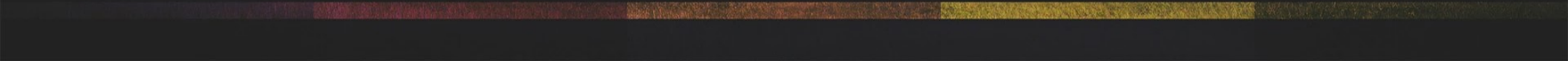
- **1 Thessalonians was written by Paul while he was at Corinth in the year 51 A.D. (chronologically his second epistle-Galatians 49-50)**
- **Thessalonica (pop 200,000), the capitol of Macedonia—one of the top 10 largest cities in the Roman empire in the 1st century AD.**
- **Thessalonica also served all your religious needs—archaeology has identified 25 different gods/heroes who were worshipped in the city**



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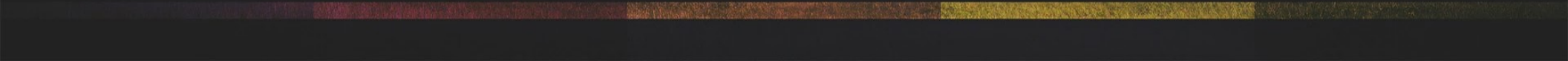
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- Their **hope** produced **patience**—*hypomone*—The idea is to “remain under” the pressure regardless of the intensity or length of time

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- **“...having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever” 1 Peter 1:23**

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**WITNESS**: Your witness to the truth of the Gospel tells of your conversion to Christ and hope in His Second Coming



**Are you willing to publicly confess your  
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through Jesus Christ?**

