

Wide Awake and Ready! I Thessalonians



We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake.

Overview - What's the point?

Most prominent theme? The second coming of Jesus.

1

To encourage them that persecution is normal.

2

To exhort them to live holy and blameless lives.

Strength of the Three Core Virtues

Work of Faith → Ergon: Toil, effort

Labor of Love → Kopos: Pains, weary

Steadfastness of Hope → Hypomone: Endurance, constancy



A large aircraft carrier is shown at sea under a clear blue sky. The ship's deck is visible with several aircraft, including a helicopter and a jet. Three text boxes are overlaid on the image: 'Power' in the upper left, 'Conviction' in the center, and 'Credibility' in the lower right. The text boxes have a brown background and a red border.

Power

Conviction

Credibility