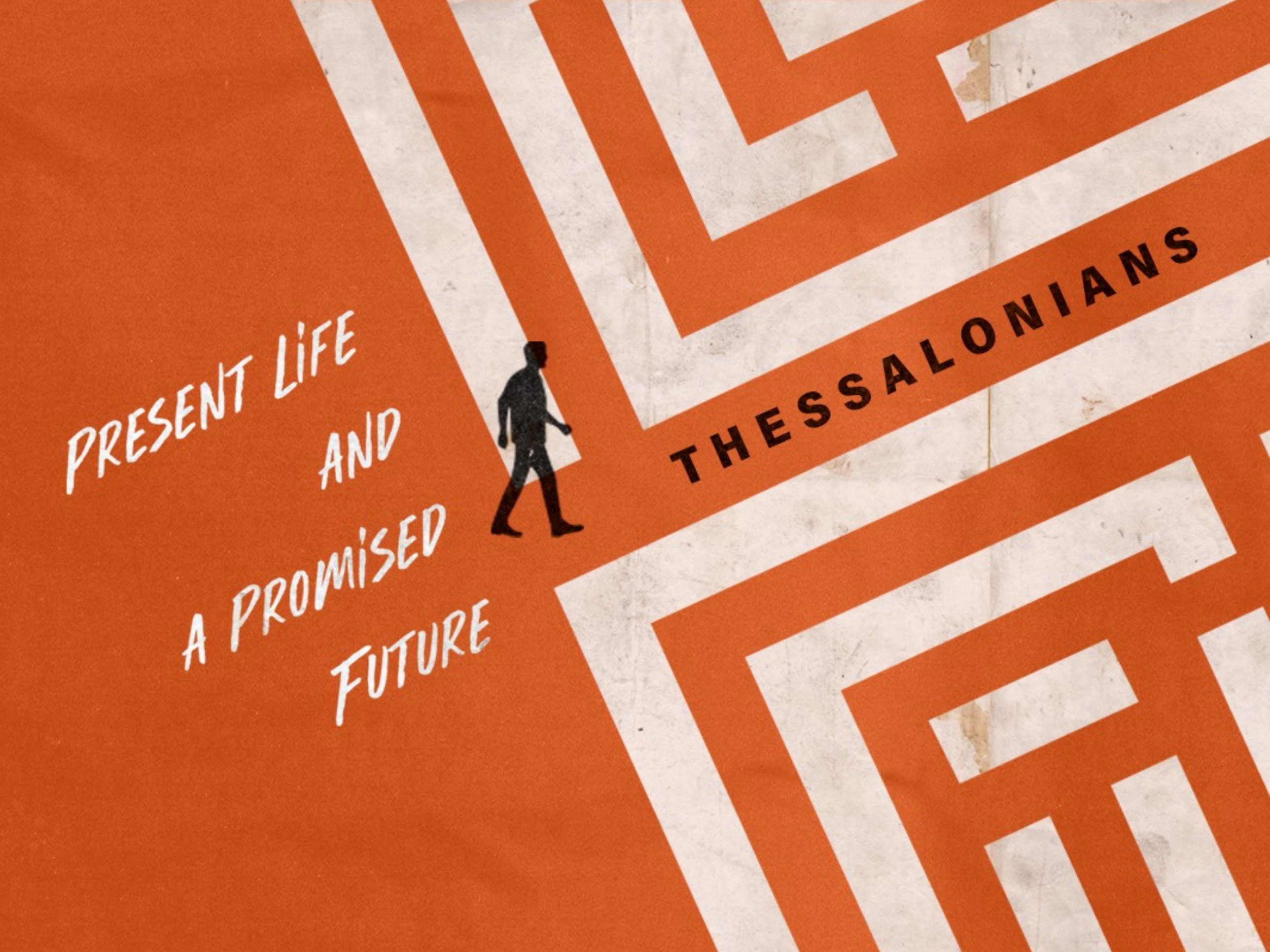
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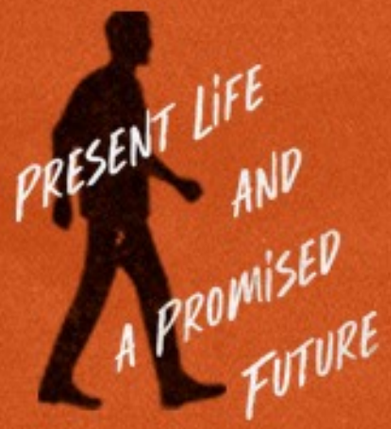

Unique Features of 1 Thessalonians

1. 1 Thessalonians is of the first letters penned by the Apostle Paul (c. AD 51)

2. After only 3 weeks Paul developed a very deep relationship (See 2:7-12)

3. The amount of theology in the book is astounding- The Trinity, The Rapture, The Second Coming, The Church, The Holy Spirit etc, etc...

4. God called them to endure severe persecution from the church's birth, and they stood strong and faithful! (See 1:6-7)

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Paul Preaches in Thessalonica

17 Paul and Silas then traveled through the towns of Amphipolis and
Apollonia and came to Thessalonica, where there was a Jewish synagogue.

MACEDONIA
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BITHYNIA
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GALATIA
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CAPPADOCIA
Corinth
Athens
Antioch
Ephesus
PISIDIA
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Cilician
Gates
Patmos
Perga
Derbe
LYCIA
Attalia
CILICIA
Tarsus
Patara
Seleucia
Antioch
Knossos
Rhodes
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Crete
Cyprus
Salamis
Paphos
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2 As was Paul's custom, he went to the synagogue service, and for three Sabbaths in a row he used **the Scriptures to reason** with the people. 3 He **explained the prophecies** and **proved that the Messiah must suffer and rise** from the dead. He said, **"This Jesus I'm telling you about is the Messiah."** 4 Some of the Jews who listened **were persuaded** and **joined Paul and Silas**, along with many God-fearing Greek men and quite a few prominent women.

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5 But some of the Jews were jealous, so they gathered some troublemakers
from the marketplace to form a mob and start a riot. They attacked the
home of Jason, searching for Paul and Silas so they could drag them out to
the crowd. 6 Not finding them there, they dragged out Jason and some of
the other believers instead and took them before the city council.

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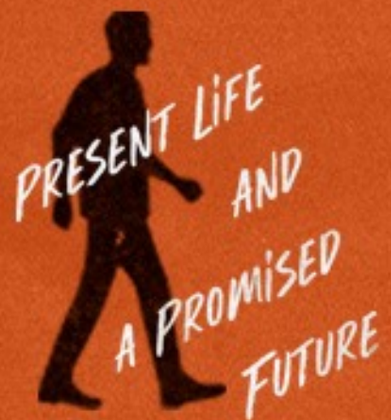
"Paul and Silas have caused trouble all over the world," they shouted, "and now they are here disturbing our city, too. 7 And Jason has welcomed them into his home. They are all guilty of treason against Caesar, for they profess allegiance to another king, named Jesus."



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