

A STUDY OF

1 & 2 THESSALONIANS

INCREASE ASSURANCE

BE A GOD-FEARING
MINISTER OF THE GOSPEL

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INTRODUCTION





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OUR VISION:

To raise up anointed disciple-makers who are empowered to change their world for Christ.

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**2022 - OUR YEAR OF
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Genesis 26:12 (ESV)

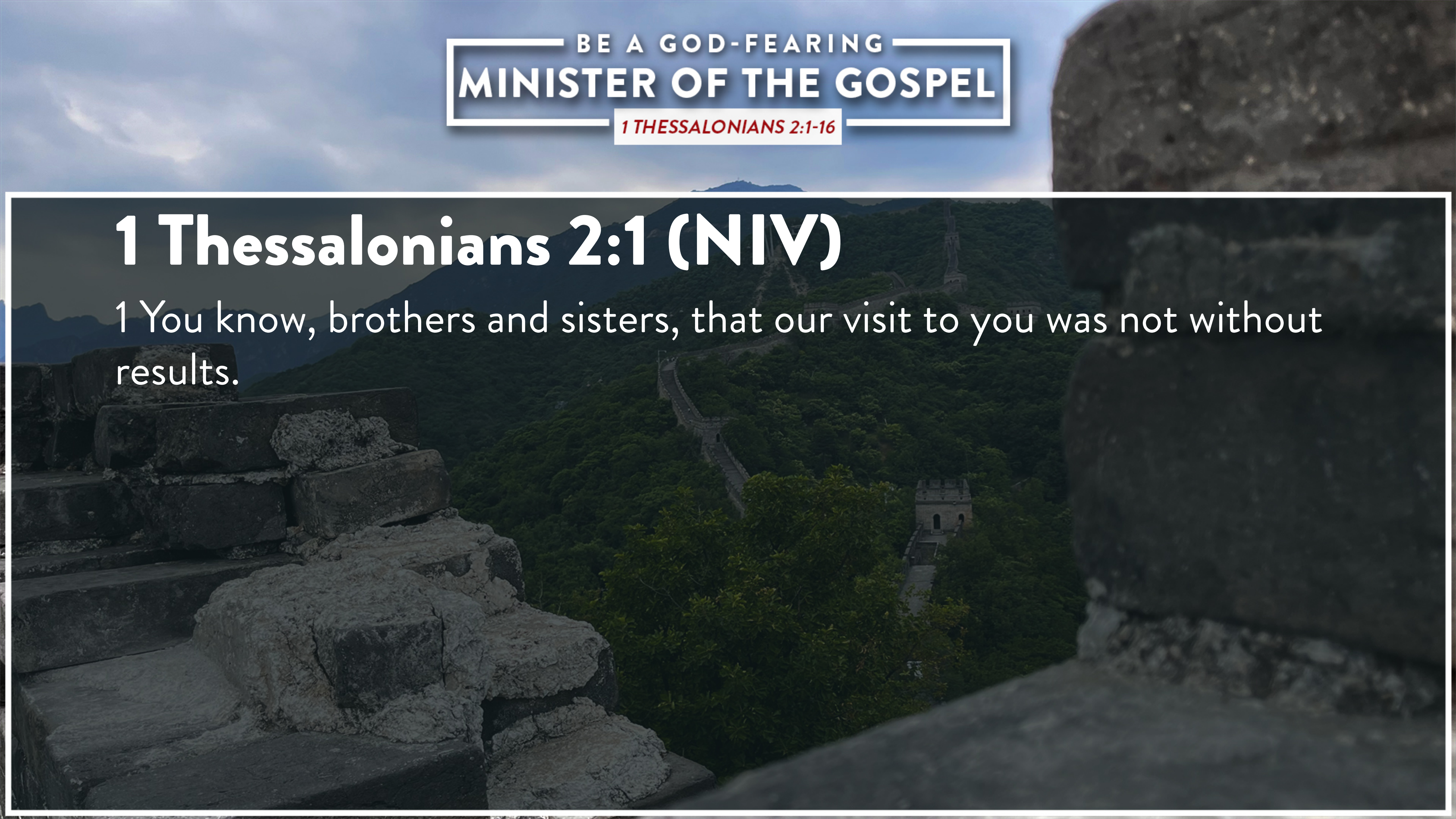
12 And Isaac sowed in that land and reaped in the same year a hundredfold. The Lord blessed him,

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1 Thessalonians 2:1 (NIV)

1 You know, brothers and sisters, that our visit to you was not without results.



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PREACH THE
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WITH BOLDNESS

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1 Thessalonians 2:2 (NLT)

2 You know how badly we had been treated at Philippi just before we came to you and how much we suffered there. Yet our God gave us the courage to declare his Good News to you boldly, in spite of great opposition.

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PREACH THE
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WITH SINCERITY OF HEART

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1 Thessalonians 2:3 (NIV)

3 For the appeal we make does not spring from error or impure motives, nor are we trying to trick you

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1 Thessalonians 2:4 (NIV)

4 On the contrary, we speak as those approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel. We are not trying to please people but **God**, who tests our hearts.

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1 Thessalonians 2:5 (NIV)

5 You know we never used flattery, nor did we put on a mask to cover up greed—God is our witness.

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1 Thessalonians 2:6 (NIV)

6 We were not looking for praise from people, not from you or anyone else, even though as apostles of Christ we could have asserted our authority.

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PREACH THE
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BY CARING FOR THE PEOPLE

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1 Thessalonians 2:7 (NIV)

7 Instead, we were like young children among you. Just as a nursing mother cares for her children,

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1 Thessalonians 2:8 (NIV)

8 so we cared for you. Because we loved you so much, we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well.

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1 Thessalonians 2:9 (NIV)

9 Surely you remember, brothers and sisters, our toil and hardship; we worked night and day in order not to be a burden to anyone while we preached the gospel of God to you.

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PREACH THE
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WITH YOUR LIFESTYLE

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1 Thessalonians 2:10 (NIV)

10 You are witnesses, and so is God, of how holy, righteous and blameless we were among you who believed.

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1 Thessalonians 2:12 (NIV)

12 encouraging, comforting and urging you to live lives worthy of God, who calls you into his kingdom and glory.

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CONCLUSION



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CHARACTERISTICS OF A GOD- FEARING MINISTER OF THE GOSPEL

- Preaches the gospel with boldness.
- Speaks the truth in love.
- Preaches with pure motives.
- Seeks to please God, not people.
- Does not flatter.
- Is not greedy.
- Does not seek people's praise.

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CHARACTERISTICS OF A GOD-FEARING MINISTER OF THE GOSPEL

- Is gentle, like a mother caring for her children.
- Loves the believers.
- Shares his life with the believers.
- Works hard so as not to be a burden to anyone.
- Lives a blameless life.
- Treats the believers as a loving father.
- Encourages the believers to live a holy life.

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