

A STUDY OF

1 & 2 THESSALONIANS

INCREASE ASSURANCE

YOUR FAITH IN GOD

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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
SUPERNATURAL INCREASE**

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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 1:1 (NIV)

Paul, Silas and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace and peace to you.

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1 Thessalonians 3:5 (NLT)

5 That is why, when I could bear it no longer, I sent Timothy to find out whether your faith was still strong. I was afraid that the tempter had gotten the best of you and that our work had been useless.

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Acts 17:2–4 (NIV)

2 As was his custom, Paul went into the synagogue, and on three Sabbath days he reasoned with them from the Scriptures,
3 explaining and proving that the Messiah had to suffer and rise from the dead. “This Jesus I am proclaiming to you is the Messiah,” he said.
4 Some of the Jews were persuaded and joined Paul and Silas, as did a large number of God-fearing Greeks and quite a few prominent women.

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Acts 17:5–7 (NIV)

5 But other Jews were jealous; so they rounded up some bad characters from the marketplace, formed a mob and started a riot in the city. They rushed to Jason's house in search of Paul and Silas in order to bring them out to the crowd. 6 But when they did not find them, they dragged Jason and some other believers before the city officials, shouting: "These men who have caused trouble all over the world have now come here, 7 and Jason has welcomed them into his house. They are all defying Caesar's decrees, saying that there is another king, one called Jesus."

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Acts 17:10–12 (NIV)

10 As soon as it was night, the believers sent Paul and Silas away to Berea. On arriving there, they went to the Jewish synagogue. 11 Now the Berean Jews were of more noble character than those in Thessalonica, for they received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true. 12 As a result, many of them believed, as did also a number of prominent Greek women and many Greek men.

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Acts 17:13–15 (NIV)

13 But when the Jews in Thessalonica learned that Paul was preaching the word of God at Berea, some of them went there too, **agitating the crowds and stirring them up.** 14 The believers immediately sent Paul to the coast, but Silas and Timothy stayed at Berea. 15 Those who escorted Paul brought him to Athens and then left with instructions for Silas and Timothy to join him as soon as possible.

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BE REFLECTED IN WHAT YOU DO

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1 Thessalonians 1:2-3 (NIV)

2 We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers. 3 We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

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1 Corinthians 13:13 (NIV)

13 And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

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James 2:14–17 (NIV)

14 What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save them? 15 Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food. 16 If one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and well fed,” but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it? 17 In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.



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*COME WITH DEEP CONVICTION
BY THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT*

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1 Thessalonians 1:4-5a (NIV)

4 For we know, brothers and sisters loved by God, that he has chosen you, 5 because our gospel came to you not simply with words but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction.

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Romans 1:16 (NIV)

16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile.

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Romans 15:13 (NIV)

13 May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

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BE AN EXAMPLE TO OTHERS

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1 Thessalonians 1:5b-6 (NIV)

You know how we lived among you for your sake. 6 You **became imitators of us and of the Lord**, for you welcomed the message in the midst of severe suffering with the joy given by the Holy Spirit.

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7 and Jason has welcomed them into his house. They are all defying Caesar's decrees, saying that there is another king, one called Jesus.”
8 When they heard this, the crowd and the city officials were thrown into turmoil. 9 Then they made Jason and the others post bond and let them go.

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1 Thessalonians 1:7 (NIV)

7 And so you became a model to all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia

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1 Timothy 4:12 (NIV)

12 Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity.



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SPREAD ABROAD TO OTHERS

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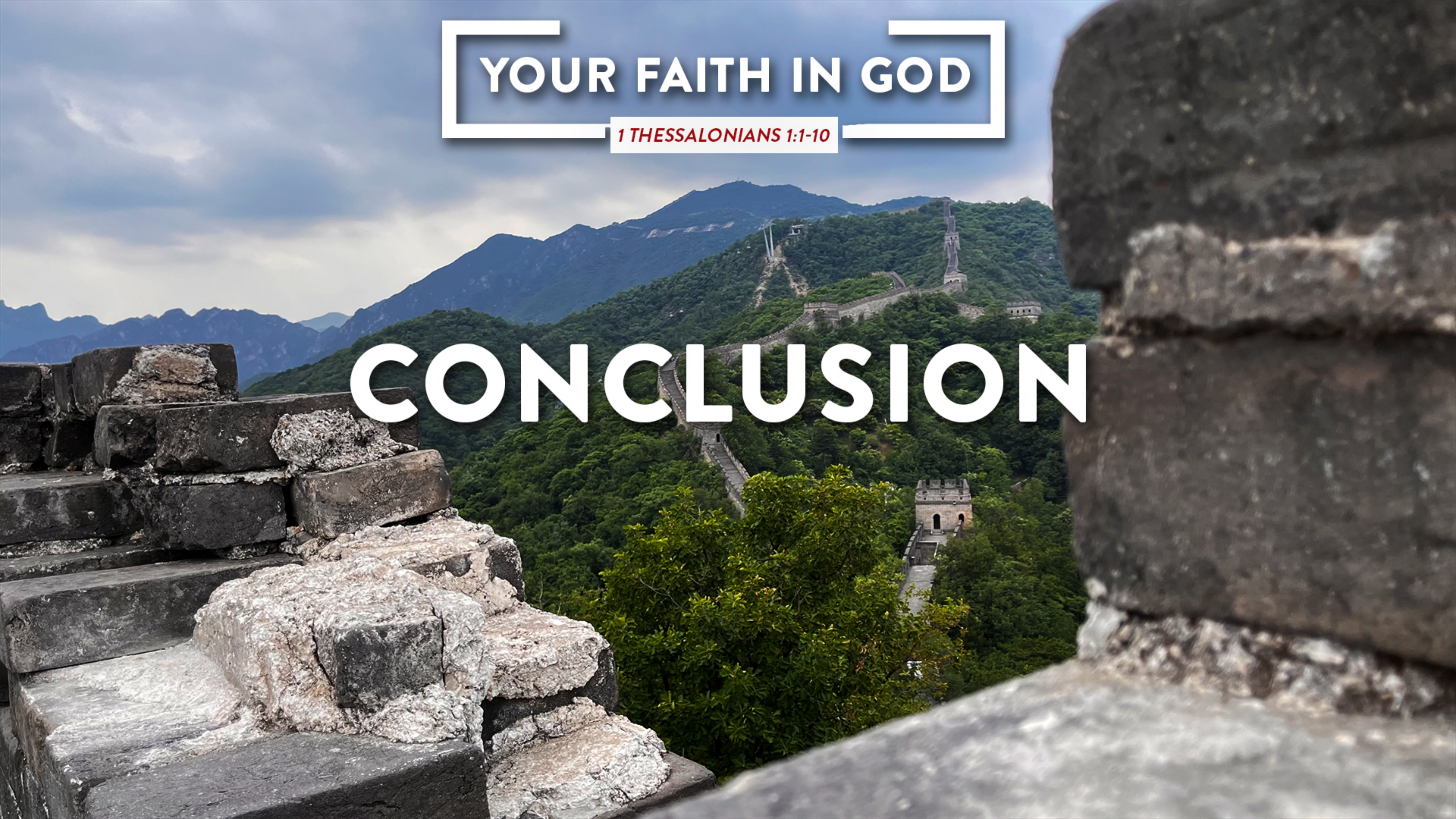
1 Thessalonians 1:8-10a (NIV)

8 The Lord's message rang out from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia—your faith in God has become known everywhere. Therefore we do not need to say anything about it, 9 for they themselves report what kind of reception you gave us. They tell how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, 10 and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead

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CONCLUSION

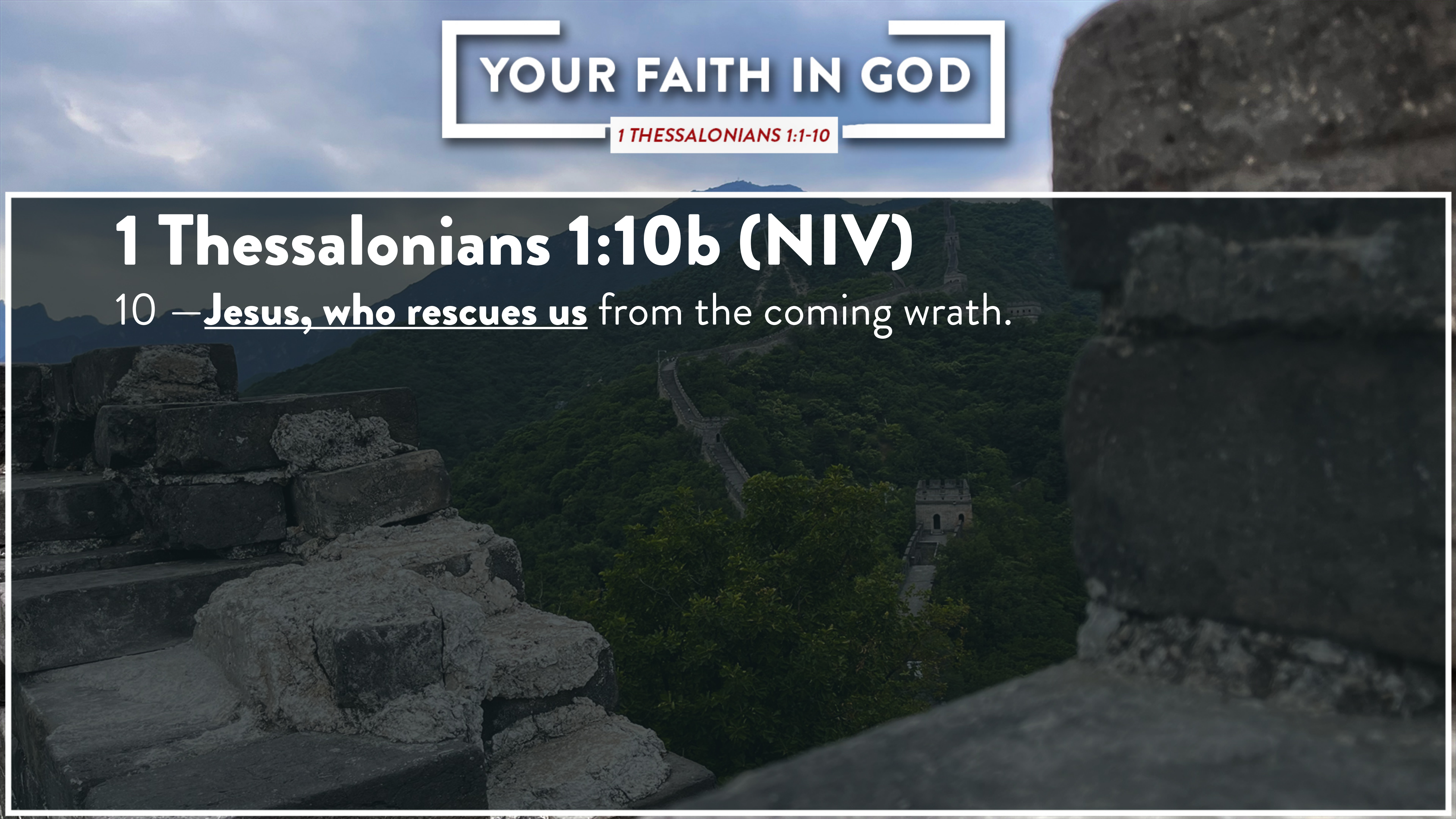


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1 Thessalonians 1:10b (NIV)

10 — Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.



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Romans 1:18 (NIV)

18 The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of people, who suppress the truth by their wickedness,

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