

A STUDY OF  
**1 & 2 THESSALONIANS**

INCREASE ASSURANCE

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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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**LET NO ONE  
DECEIVE YOU**

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## 2 Thessalonians 2:1 (ESV)

1 Now concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we ask you, brothers,

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## Zephaniah 1:14–16 (NIV)

14 The great day of the Lord is near— near and coming quickly. The cry on the day of the Lord is bitter; the Mighty Warrior shouts his battle cry. 15 That day will be a day of wrath— a day of distress and anguish, a day of trouble and ruin, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and blackness— 16 a day of trumpet and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the corner towers.

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## 2 Thessalonians 2:2 (ESV)

2 not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by a spirit or a spoken word, or a letter seeming to be from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come.

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## 1 Thessalonians 1:10 (ESV)

10 and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.

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## 1 Thessalonians 5:9 (NIV)

9 For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ

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## 2 Thessalonians 2:3-5 (ESV)

3 Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, 4 who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God. 5 Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things?

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## 2 Timothy 4:3 (NIV)

3 For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a **great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear.**

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## Revelation 13:5–8 (NIV)

5 The beast was given a mouth to utter proud words and blasphemies and to exercise its authority for forty-two months. 6 It opened its mouth to blaspheme God, and to slander his name and his dwelling place and those who live in heaven. 7 It was given power to wage war against God's holy people and to conquer them. And it was given authority over every tribe, people, language and nation. 8 All inhabitants of the earth will worship the beast—all whose names have not been written in the Lamb's book of life, the Lamb who was slain from the creation of the world.



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**THE HOLY SPIRIT  
IN BELIEVERS IS RESTRICTING  
EVIL FOR NOW**

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## 2 Thessalonians 2:6-7 (ESV)

6 And you know what is restraining him now so that he may be revealed in his time. 7 For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work. Only he who now restrains it will do so until he is out of the way.

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# SIN IS

GOING TO INCREASE  
SIGNIFICANTLY IN THE LAST DAYS

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## 2 Thessalonians 2:9 (ESV)

9 The coming of the lawless one is by the activity of Satan with all power and false signs and wonders,

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## Revelation 13:2b (NIV)

2 The beast I saw resembled a leopard, but had feet like those of a bear and a mouth like that of a lion. The dragon gave the beast his power and his throne and great authority.

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## Acts 2:22 (NIV)

22 “Fellow Israelites, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know.

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## 2 Thessalonians 2:10-12 (ESV)

10 and with all wicked deception for those who are perishing, because they refused to love the truth and so be saved. 11 Therefore God sends them a strong delusion, so that they may believe what is false, 12 in order that all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.



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**JESUS SHALL**

**DESTROY THE MAN OF  
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## 2 Thessalonians 2:1 (ESV)

8 And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will kill with the breath of his mouth and bring to nothing by the appearance of his coming.



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**IN YOUR FAITH  
IN THESE LAST DAYS**

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## 2 Thessalonians 2:13–15 (ESV)

13 But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth.

14 To this he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. 15 So then, **brothers, stand firm and hold to the traditions that you were taught by us**, either by our spoken word or by our letter.

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## 1 Corinthians 16:13 (NIV)

13 Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong.



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CONCLUSION

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## 2 Thessalonians 2:16–17 (ESV)

16 Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace,  
17 comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

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