

Session



Personal Study Guide

The Church: Strengthened for Every Good Work

November 22, 2020

Introduction

? Have you ever been in a situation where you had to miss one or more meals?

? How did this affect you? How have we been created to seek nourishment when it is missing?

1. Loved, Chosen, and Called by God (2 Thess. 2:13-14)

? What words did Paul use to describe the Christians in Thessalonica? How are these words true of all Christians?

? For what purpose did God choose those in Thessalonica, and what was the means by which they were saved?

? Application: Are you loved by God? How do you know? How might reminding yourself of those truths change the way you live your life?

2. Stand Firm (2 Thess. 2:15)

? What good work did Paul exhort the Thessalonians to?

? What did Paul say they should stand firm upon? What does that mean for Christians today?



Application: When has standing firm upon and holding fast to the Scriptures put you at odds with the world?

3. Encouragement and Strength (2 Thess. 2:16-17)



What did Paul pray that God would give the Thessalonians? Why was this needed?



Why did Paul pray for God's intervention in this area? What is God's role in our good works compared with our role?



Where do you need God's encouragement and strength in good works this week?

Conclusion



Are you a Christian? What made you one? How do you know that you are a Christian?



Why is it important for Christians and churches to stand firm upon the teachings of Scripture? What are some ways that churches can veer off the path of holding fast to the Scriptures?



Why do Christians need Christ just as much in sanctification as they do in salvation?

Daily Readings

- Monday - 1 John 4:7-21
- Tuesday - John 13:34-35
- Wednesday - 1 Peter 4:8

- Thursday - Romans 15:7
- Friday - John 15:13
- Saturday - Romans 5:8