

Paul, His Life and Teachings

Paul's Letter: 2 Thessalonians

Lesson 18

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Paul writes 1 and 2 Thessalonians from Corinth



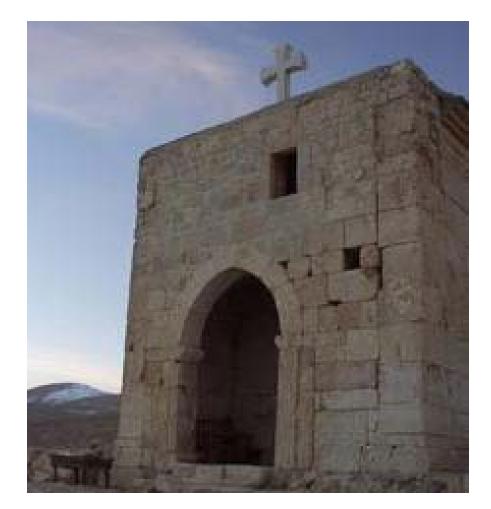
Paul won't let go of his concerns



Paul begins by identifying himself with the Thessalonians



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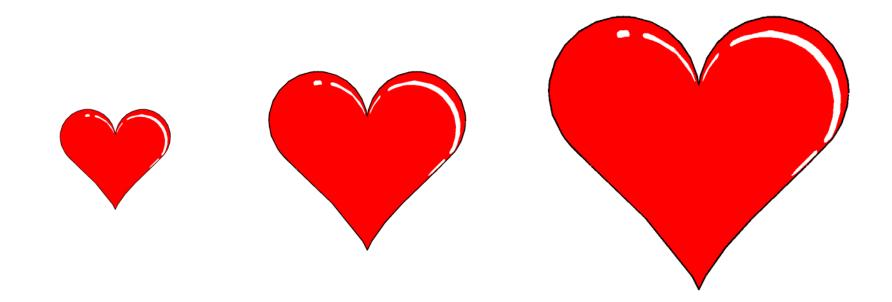
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"Grace and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ"

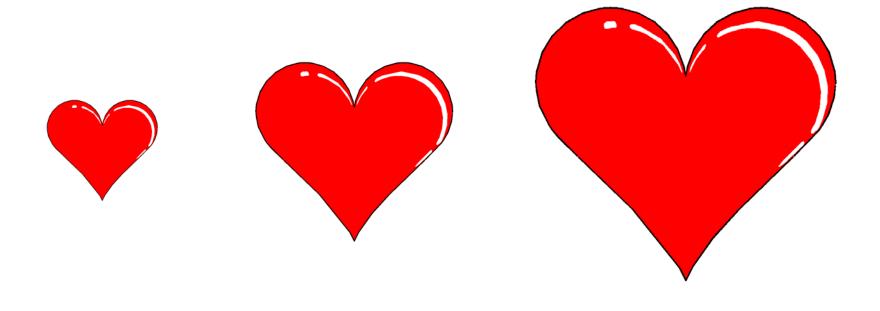


Remember Paul's prayer in 1 Thessalonians ...



That their love and faith grow more and more

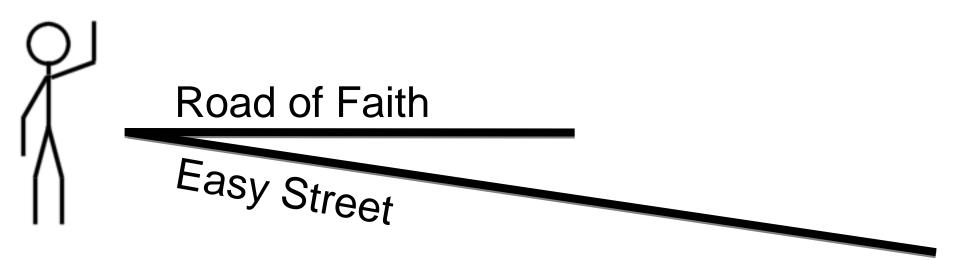
In 2 Thessalonians Paul is thankful for their growing faith and love



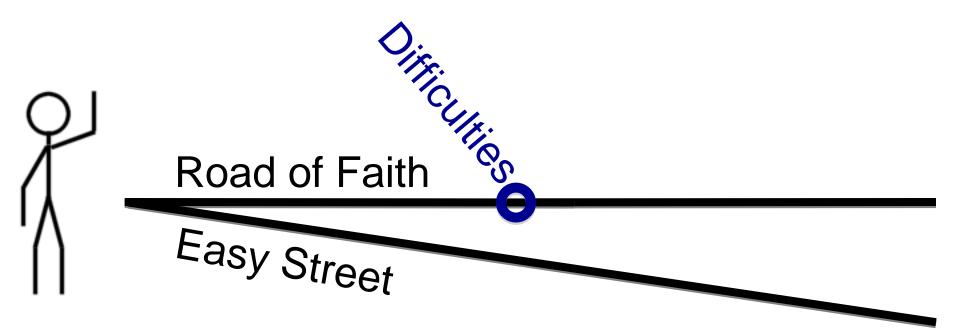
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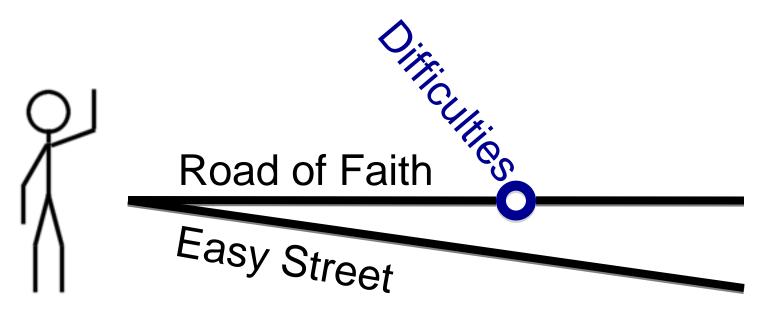
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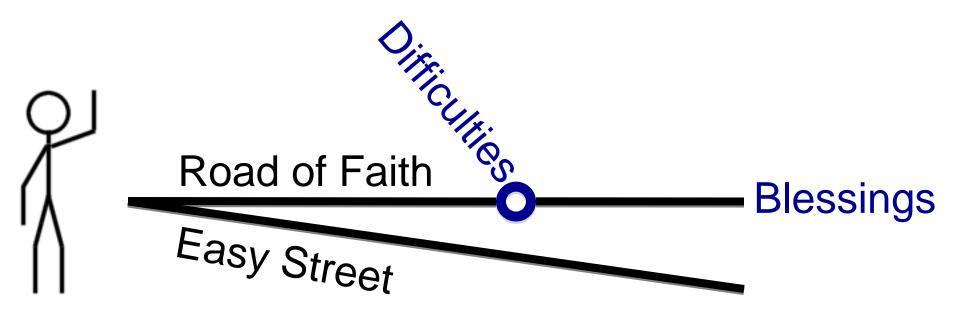


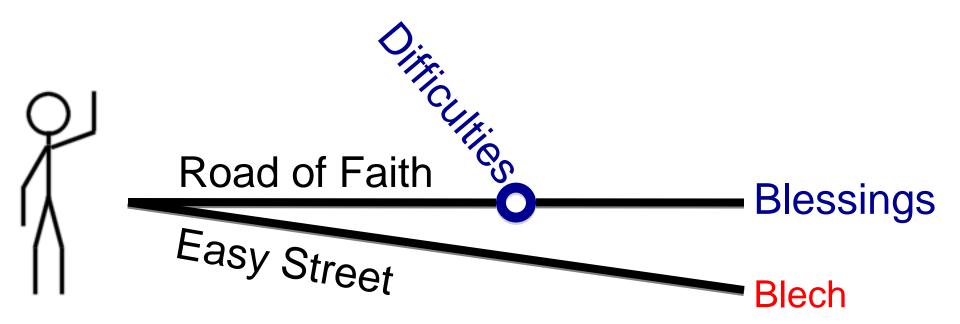
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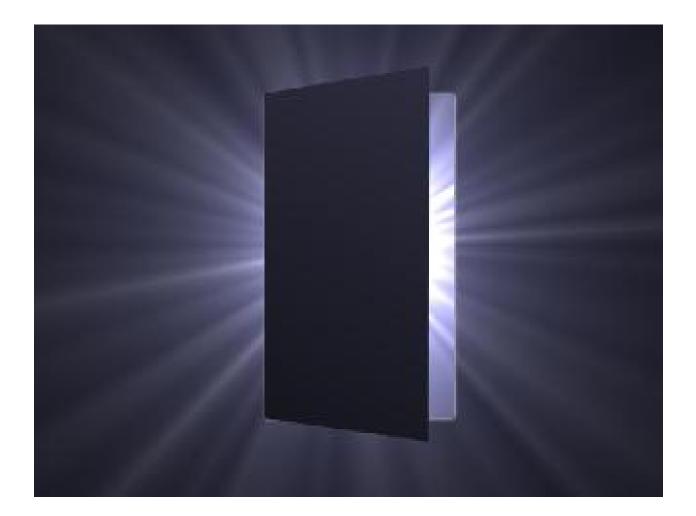








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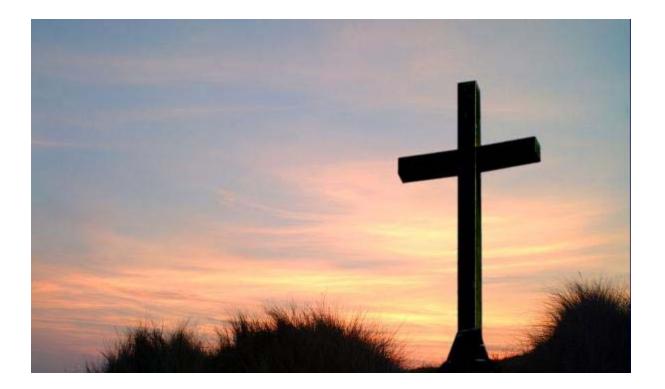


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By "gospel" Paul means:



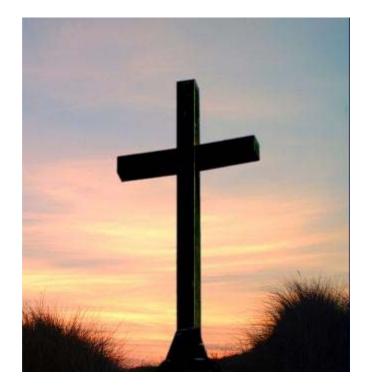
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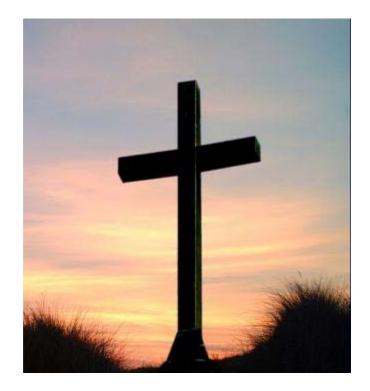
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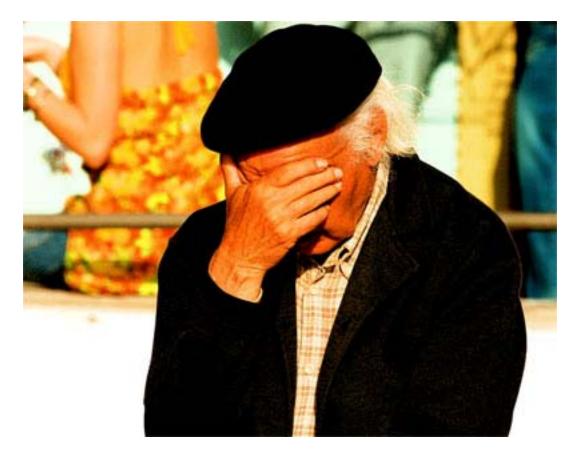


Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand;The shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land;A home within the wilderness. A rest upon the way;From the burning of the noon time heat and the burden of the day

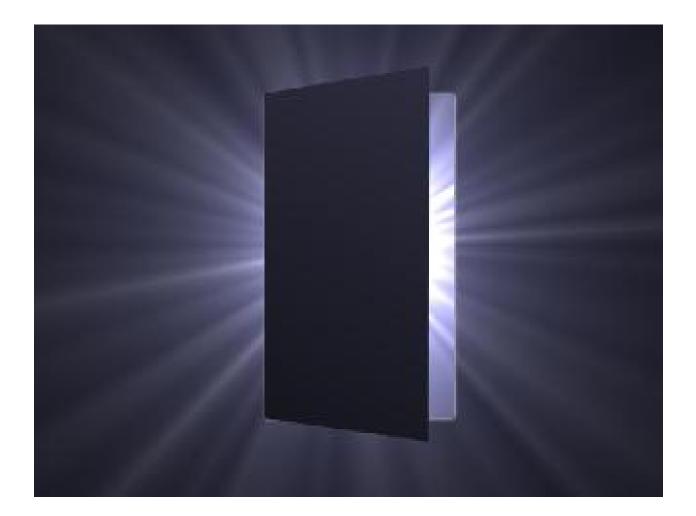


I take, oh cross thy shadow for my abiding place; I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of his face, Content to let the world go by; to know no gain or loss My sinful self my only shame; My glory all the cross

Suffering, an evil or a tool?



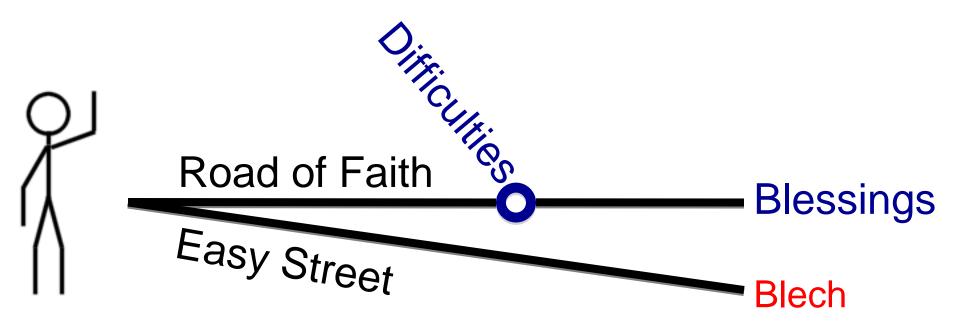
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The return of Jesus brings judgment to the evil but triumph to the saints



So stay on your road, live up to your calling, Jesus will return and things will be right



By the way, you have not been so caught up in your problems that you missed any of the second coming!





"Unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, 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"

The man of lawlessness is restrained for now



Be thankful as God's children chosen to be saved and made holy



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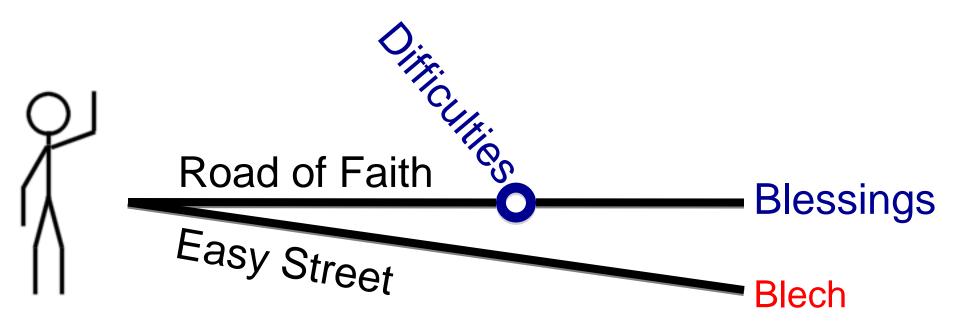




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The word is received with honor

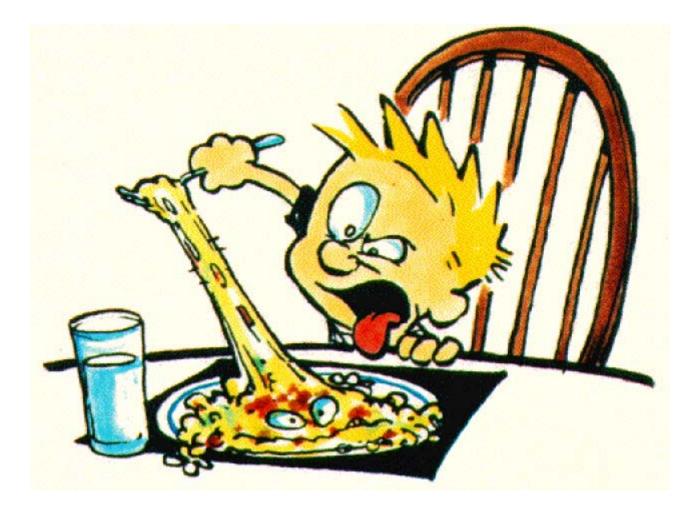
Trust God and his faithfulness



Don't stop working just because Jesus is returning



If you won't work, you won't eat!

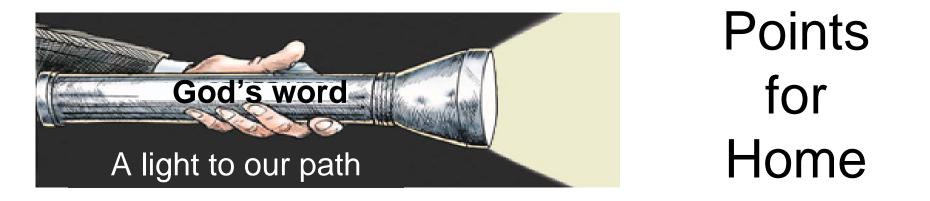


Stay busy, there is lots to do!

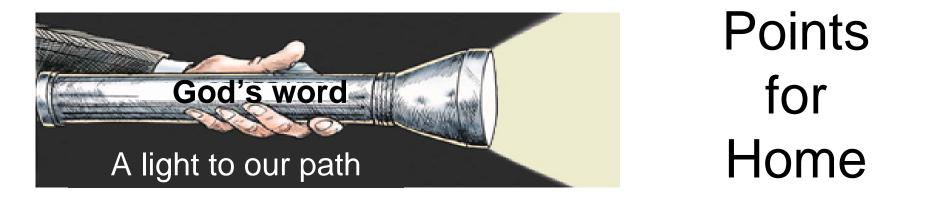




Closing with a prayer for peace



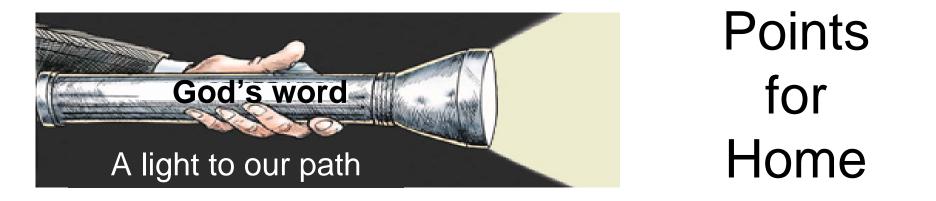
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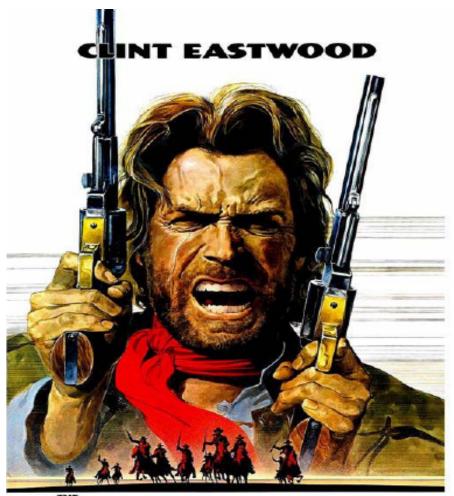
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Get connected!

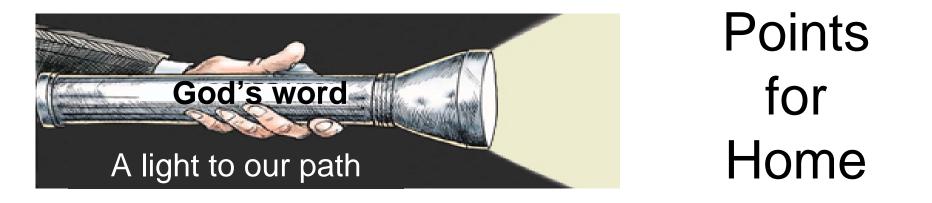


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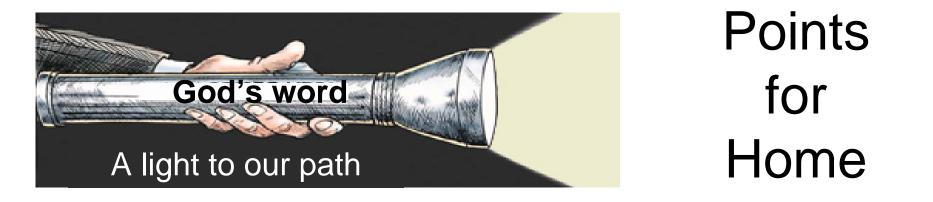
Who is the "man of lawlessness?"



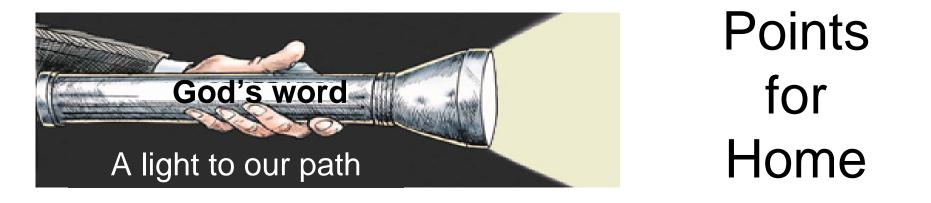


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- Jesus is returning
- Satan is destroyed
- Be encouraged



"Some of you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies" (3:11)



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Serve God each minute of each day!