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2 Thessalonians

What is the book of 2 Thessalonians?

- The book of 2 Thessalonians is a letter from Paul. Silas and Timothy helped Paul write it.
- It's thought that Paul wrote this letter from Corinth between the years AD 51 and 52.
- The New Testament includes two letters from Paul to the church in Thessalonica. This is the second letter.

Who was 2 Thessalonians written to?

- To the believers in the city of Thessalonica. Some were Jews but most were Gentiles.
- The letter was read out loud in the churches all around the area of Thessalonica.
- Followers of Jesus recognise that 2 Thessalonians shares the truth about Jesus. It's for all people everywhere.

Why was 2 Thessalonians written?

- To encourage, comfort and teach the Thessalonian believers.

Main ideas

- Judgement against those who treat the Thessalonians badly.
- Jesus' return to earth.
- Working hard for what they need.

Outline

Paul prays for the Thessalonians and gives thanks for them (1).

Comfort about the day of the Lord (2).

Prayer and warnings about those who don't want to work (3:1-15).

Final greetings (3:16-18).