Πρός Θεσσαλονικεῖς Β

Παύλος καὶ Σιλουανὸς καὶ Τιμόθεος τῆ ἐκκλησία 1
Θεσσαλονικέων ἐν θεῷ πατρὶ ἡμῶν καὶ κυρίῳ Ἰησοῦ χριστῷ: χάρις ὑμῖν καὶ εἰρήνη ἀπὸ θεοῦ πατρὸς ἡμῶν 2 καὶ κυρίου Ἰησοῦ χριστοῦ.

Εὐχαριστεῖν ὀφείλομεν τῷ θεῷ πάντοτε περὶ ὑμῶν, 3 ἀδελφοί, καθὼς ἄξιόν ἐστιν, ὅτι ὑπεραυξάνει⁴ ἡ πίστις ὑμῶν, καὶ πλεονάζει⁵ ἡ ἀγάπη ἑνὸς ἑκάστου πάντων ὑμῶν εἰς ἀλλήλους: ὥστε ἡμᾶς αὐτοὺς ἐν ὑμῖν 4 καυχᾶσθαι ἐν ταῖς ἐκκλησίαις τοῦ θεοῦ ὑπὲρ τῆς ὑπομονῆς ὑμῶν καὶ πίστεως ἐν πᾶσιν τοῖς διωγμοῖς⁶ ὑμῶν καὶ ταῖς θλίψεσιν αἷς ἀνέχεσθε: ἔνδειγμα τῆς δικαίας κρίσεως τοῦ θεοῦ, εἰς τὸ καταξιωθῆναι ὑμᾶς τῆς βασιλείας τοῦ θεοῦ, ὑπὲρ ῆς καὶ πάσχετε: εἶπερ 6

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¹ Σιλουανός, οῦ, ὁ, Silvanus. ² Τιμόθεος, ου, ὁ, Timothy. ³ Θεσσαλονικεύς, έως, ὁ, Thessalonian. ⁴ ὑπεραυξάνω, grow abundantly. ⁵ πλεονάζω, superabound, make to abound. ⁶ διωγμός, οῦ, ὁ, persecution. ⁷ ἀνέχομαι, endure, bear with. ⁸ ἔνδειγμα, τος, τό, evidence, plain indication. ⁹ καταξιόω, consider worthy, deem worthy. ¹⁰ εἴπερ, if perhaps, if indeed.

δίκαιον παρὰ θεῶ ἀνταποδοῦναι¹ τοῖς θλίβουσιν² ὑμᾶς θλίψιν, καὶ ὑμῖν τοῖς θλιβομένοις² ἄνεσιν³ μεθ' ἡμῶν, 7 έν τῆ ἀποκαλύψει τοῦ κυρίου Ἰησοῦ ἀπ' οὐρανοῦ μετ' ἀγγέλων δυνάμεως αὐτοῦ, ἐν πυρὶ φλογός, 5 8 διδόντος ἐκδίκησιν τοῖς μὴ εἰδόσιν θεόν, καὶ τοῖς μὴ ύπακούουσιν⁷ τῶ εὐαγγελίω τοῦ κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ: 9 οἵτινες δίκην 8 τίσουσιν, 9 ὄλεθρον 10 αἰώνιον ἀπὸ προσώπου τοῦ κυρίου καὶ ἀπὸ τῆς δόξης τῆς ἰσχύος 11 αὐτοῦ, ὅταν ἔλθη ἐνδοξασθῆναι¹² ἐν τοῖς ἁγίοις αὐτοῦ, 10 καὶ θαυμασθηναι ἐν πᾶσιν τοῖς πιστεύσασιν ὅτι ἐπιστεύθη τὸ μαρτύριον 13 ἡμῶν ἐφ' ὑμᾶς ἐν τῆ ἡμέρα έκείνη. Εἰς δ καὶ προσευγόμεθα πάντοτε περὶ ὑμῶν, 11 ἵνα ὑμᾶς ἀξιώση 14 τῆς κλήσεως 15 ὁ θεὸς ἡμῶν, καὶ πληρώση πᾶσαν εὐδοκίαν 16 ἀγαθωσύνης 17 καὶ ἔργον πίστεως ἐν δυνάμει: ὅπως ἐνδοξασθῆ 12 τὸ ὄνομα τοῦ 12 κυρίου ήμων Ἰησοῦ ἐν ὑμῖν, καὶ ὑμεῖς ἐν αὐτῷ, κατὰ

¹ ἀνταποδίδωμι, recompense, repay. ² θλίβω, press, oppress. ³ ἄνεσις, εως, ἡ, loosening, relaxation. ⁴ ἀποκάλυψις, εως, ἡ, revelation, unveiling. ⁵ φλόξ, φλογός, ἡ, flame. ⁶ ἐκδίκησις, εως, ἡ, vengeance, vindication. ⁻ ὑπακούω, obey, listen. ⁶ δίκη, ης, ἡ, penalty, punishment. ⁶ τίνω, pay, pay a penalty. ¹¹⁰ δλεθρος, ου, ὁ, destruction, death. ¹¹ ἰσχύς, ὑος, ἡ, strength, power. ¹² ἐνδοξάζω, glorify. ¹³ μαρτύριον, ου, τό, testimony, witness. ¹⁴ ἀξιόω, consider worthy. ¹⁵ κλῆσις, εως, ἡ, (divine) call, invitation. ¹⁶ εὐδοκία, ας, ἡ, good pleasure, good-will. ¹⁻ ἀγαθωσύνη, ης, ἡ, goodness.

τὴν χάριν τοῦ θεοῦ ἡμῶν καὶ κυρίου Ἰησοῦ χριστοῦ.

Έρωτῶμεν δὲ ὑμᾶς, ἀδελφοί, ὑπὲρ τῆς παρουσίας τοῦ 2 κυρίου ήμῶν Ἰησοῦ χριστοῦ, καὶ ἡμῶν ἐπισυναγωγῆς² ἐπ' αὐτόν, εἰς τὸ μὴ ταχέως σαλευθῆναι 4 ὑμᾶς ἀπὸ 2 τοῦ νοός, μήτε θροεῖσθαι, μήτε διὰ πνεύματος, μήτε διὰ λόγου, μήτε δι' ἐπιστολῆς 7 ὡς δι' ἡμῶν, ὡς ὅτι ἐνέστηκεν 8 ἡ ἡμέρα τοῦ χριστοῦ: μή τις ὑμᾶς 3έξαπατήση[°] κατὰ μηδένα τρόπον: 10 ὅτι ἐὰν μὴ ἔλθη ἡ ἀποστασία πρώτον, καὶ ἀποκαλυφθῆ ὁ ἄνθρωπος τῆς ἁμαρτίας, ὁ υἱὸς τῆς ἀπωλείας, 12 ὁ ἀντικείμενος 13 4 καὶ ὑπεραιρόμενος 14 ἐπὶ πάντα λεγόμενον θεὸν ἢ σέβασμα, 15 ώστε αὐτὸν εἰς τὸν ναὸν τοῦ θεοῦ ὡς θεὸν καθίσαι, ἀποδεικνύντα 16 ἑαυτὸν ὅτι ἐστὶν θεός. Οὐ 5 μνημονεύετε 17 ὅτι ἔτι ὢν πρὸς ὑμᾶς, ταῦτα ἔλεγον ύμῖν; Καὶ νῦν τὸ κατέχον¹⁸ οἴδατε, είς τὸ 6

¹ παρουσία, ας, ή, presence, coming. ² ἐπισυναγωγή, ῆς, ἡ, meeting, assembling. ³ ταχέως, quickly, soon. ⁴ σαλεύω, shake, excite. ⁵ νοῦς, ὁ, mind, reasoning faculty. ⁶ θροέω, disturb, agitate. ⁷ ἐπιστολή, ῆς, ἡ, letter, dispatch. ⁸ ἐνίστημι, be present, place in or upon. ⁹ ἐξαπατάω, seduce wholly, deceive. ¹⁰ τρόπος, ου, ὁ, manner, way. ¹¹ ἀποστασία, ας, ἡ, apostacy, abandonment. ¹² ἀπώλεια, ας, ἡ, destruction, ruin. ¹³ ἀντίκειμαι, lie opposite, i.e. oppose. ¹⁴ ὑπεραίρω, raise beyond, uplift. ¹⁵ σέβασμα, τος, τό, object of worship. ¹⁶ ἀποδείκνυμι, exhibit, display. ¹⁷ μνημονεύω, remember, make mention of. ¹⁸ κατέγω, hold back, hold fast.

άποκαλυφθήναι αὐτὸν ἐν τῷ ἑαυτοῦ καιρῷ. Τὸ γὰρ 7 μυστήριον ἤδη ἐνεργεῖται¹ τῆς ἀνομίας:² μόνον ὁ κατέχων³ ἄρτι, ἕως ἐκ μέσου γένηται, καὶ τότε 8 ἀποκαλυφθήσεται ὁ ἄνομος, δν ὁ κύριος ἀναλώσει 5 τῷ πνεύματι τοῦ στόματος αὐτοῦ, καὶ καταργήσει τῆ $\dot{\epsilon}\pi i \phi \alpha \nu \epsilon i \alpha^6 \tau \eta \varsigma \pi \alpha \rho o \nu \sigma i \alpha \varsigma^7 \alpha \dot{\nu} \tau o \tilde{\nu} : o \tilde{\nu} \dot{\epsilon} \sigma \tau i \nu \dot{\eta} 9$ παρουσία 7 κατ' ἐνέργειαν 8 τοῦ Σ ατανᾶ ἐν πάση δυνάμει καὶ σημείοις καὶ τέρασιν $^{^{9}}$ ψεύδους, $^{^{10}}$ καὶ ἐν 10 πάση ἀπάτη 11 τῆς ἀδικίας ἐν τοῖς ἀπολλυμένοις, ἀνθ'12 ών την αγάπην της αληθείας οὐκ ἐδέξαντο εἰς τὸ σωθηναι αὐτούς. Καὶ διὰ τοῦτο πέμψει αὐτοῖς ὁ θεὸς 11 ἐνέργειαν⁸ πλάνης, 13 εἰς τὸ πιστεῦσαι αὐτοὺς τῷ ψεύδει: 10 ἵνα κριθώσιν πάντες οἱ μὴ πιστεύσαντες τῆ 12 άληθεία, άλλ' εὐδοκήσαντες 14 ἐν τῆ άδικία.

¹ ἐνεργέω, work, effect. ² ἀνομία, ας, ή, lawlessness, iniquity. ³ κατέχω, hold back, hold fast. ⁴ ἄνομος, lawless, without law. ⁵ ἀναλίστω, destroy, consume. ⁶ ἐπιφάνεια, ας, ή, appearance, appearing. ⁻ παρουσία, ας, ή, presence, coming. ⁶ ἐνέργεια, ας, ή, operative power, working. ⁶ τέρας, ατος, τό, wonder, portent. ¹⁰ ψεῦδος, ους, τό, lie. ¹¹ ἀπάτη, ης, ή, deceit, deceitfulness. ¹² ἀντί, instead of, in place of. ¹³ πλάνη, ης, ή, wandering, error. ¹⁴ εὐδοκέω, think it good, be well pleased with.

Ήμεῖς δὲ ὀφείλομεν εὐχαριστεῖν τῷ θεῷ πάντοτε περὶ 13 ὑμῶν, ἀδελφοὶ ἡγαπημένοι ὑπὸ κυρίου, ὅτι εἴλετο¹ ὑμᾶς ὁ θεὸς ἀπ' ἀρχῆς εἰς σωτηρίαν ἐν ἀγιασμῷ² πνεύματος, καὶ πίστει ἀληθείας: εἰς δ ἐκάλεσεν ὑμᾶς 14 διὰ τοῦ εὐαγγελίου ἡμῶν, εἰς περιποίησιν³ δόξης τοῦ κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ χριστοῦ. Ἄρα οὖν, ἀδελφοί, 15 στήκετε,⁴ καὶ κρατεῖτε τὰς παραδόσεις⁵ ᾶς ἐδιδάχθητε, εἴτε διὰ λόγου, εἴτε δι' ἐπιστολῆς⁶ ἡμῶν.

Αὐτὸς δὲ ὁ κύριος ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦς χριστός, καὶ ὁ θεὸς καὶ 16 πατὴρ ἡμῶν ὁ ἀγαπήσας ἡμᾶς, καὶ δοὺς παράκλησιν αἰωνίαν καὶ ἐλπίδα ἀγαθὴν ἐν χάριτι, παρακαλέσαι 17 ὑμῶν τὰς καρδίας, καὶ στηρίξαι⁷ ὑμᾶς ἐν παντὶ λόγῳ καὶ ἔργῳ ἀγαθῷ.

 $^{^1}$ αίρέω, choose, prefer. 2 άγιασμός, οῦ, ὁ, consecration, holiness. 3 περιποίησις, εως, ἡ, preservation, acquisition. 4 στήκω, stand, stand fast. 5 παράδοσις, εως, ἡ, tradition, instruction. 6 èπιστολή, ῆς, ἡ, letter, dispatch. 7 στηρίζω, establish, fix firmly.

Τὸ λοιπόν, προσεύχεσθε, ἀδελφοί, περὶ ἡμῶν, ἵνα ὁ 3 λόγος τοῦ κυρίου τρέχη¹ καὶ δοξάζηται, καθὼς καὶ πρὸς ὑμᾶς, καὶ ἵνα ῥυσθῶμεν² ἀπὸ τῶν ἀτόπων³ καὶ 2 πονηρῶν ἀνθρώπων: οὐ γὰρ πάντων ἡ πίστις. Πιστὸς 3 δέ ἐστιν ὁ κύριος, ὃς στηρίξει⁴ ὑμᾶς καὶ φυλάξει ἀπὸ τοῦ πονηροῦ. Πεποίθαμεν δὲ ἐν κυρίῳ ἐφ' ὑμᾶς, ὅτι ἃ 4 παραγγέλλομεν ὑμῖν, καὶ ποιεῖτε καὶ ποιήσετε. Ὁ δὲ 5 κύριος κατευθύναι⁵ ὑμῶν τὰς καρδίας εἰς τὴν ἀγάπην τοῦ θεοῦ, καὶ εἰς τὴν ὑπομονὴν τοῦ χριστοῦ.

Παραγγέλλομεν δὲ ὑμῖν, ἀδελφοί, ἐν ὀνόματι τοῦ 6 κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ χριστοῦ, στέλλεσθαι ὑμᾶς ἀπὸ παντὸς ἀδελφοῦ ἀτάκτως περιπατοῦντος, καὶ μὴ κατὰ τὴν παράδοσιν ἢν παρέλαβον παρ ἡμῶν. 7 Αὐτοὶ γὰρ οἴδατε πῶς δεῖ μιμεῖσθαι ἡμᾶς: ὅτι οὐκ ἡτακτήσαμεν ὁ ἐν ὑμῖν, οὐδὲ δωρεὰν ὁ ἄρτον 8

¹ τρέχω, run, exercise myself. ² ῥύομαι, rescue, save. ³ ἄτοπος, out of place, unusual. ⁴ στηρίζω, establish, fix firmly. ⁵ κατευθύνω, lead, direct. ⁶ στέλλω, arrange, take care. ⁷ ἀτάκτως, disorderly, unruly. ⁸ παράδοσις, εως, ή, tradition, instruction. ⁹ μιμέομαι, imitate, emulate. ¹⁰ ἀτακτέω, behave inappropriately. ¹¹ δωρεάν, without cost, without cause.

ἐφάγομεν παρά τινος, άλλ' ἐν κόπω 1 καὶ μόγθω, 2 νύκτα καὶ ἡμέραν ἐργαζόμενοι, πρὸς τὸ μὴ έπιβαρῆσαί³ τινα ύμῶν: οὐχ ὅτι οὐκ ἔχομεν ἐξουσίαν, 9 άλλ' ἵνα έαυτοὺς τύπον 4 δῶμεν ὑμῖν εἰς τὸ μιμεῖσθαι 5 ήμᾶς. Καὶ γὰρ ὅτε ἦμεν πρὸς ὑμᾶς, τοῦτο 10 παρηγγέλλομεν ύμιν ότι εἴ τις οὐ θέλει ἐργάζεσθαι, μηδὲ ἐσθιέτω. Ἀκούομεν γάρ τινας περιπατοῦντας ἐν 11 ύμιν ἀτάκτως, μηδεν ἐργαζομένους, άλλὰ περιεργαζομένους. Τοῖς δὲ τοιούτοις παραγγέλλομεν 12 καὶ παρακαλούμεν διὰ τοῦ κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ χριστοῦ, ἵνα μετὰ ἡσυχίας⁸ ἐργαζόμενοι τὸν ἑαυτῶν ἄρτον ἐσθίωσιν. Ύμεῖς δέ, ἀδελφοί, μὴ ἐκκακήσητε⁹ 13 καλοποιοῦντες. 10 Εἰ δέ τις οὐχ ὑπακούει 11 τῷ λόγω 14 ήμῶν διὰ τῆς ἐπιστολῆς, 12 τοῦτον σημειοῦσθε, 13 καὶ μὴ συναναμίγνυσθε¹⁴ αὐτῶ, ἵνα ἐντραπῆ, ¹⁵ καὶ μὴ ὡς 15 έγθρον ήγεῖσθε, άλλὰ νουθετεῖτε16 ώς άδελφόν.

¹ κόπος, ου, ὁ, labor, trouble. ² μόχθος, ου, ὁ, toil, hardship. ³ ἐπιβαρέω, burden weigh down, burden. ⁴ τύπος, ου, ὁ, mark, example. ⁵ μιμέομαι, imitate, emulate. ⁶ ἀτάκτως, disorderly, unruly. ⁷ περιεργάζομαι, be a busybody, meddler. ⁸ ἡσυχία, ας, ἡ, stillness, silence. ⁹ ἐκκακέω, am faint, am weary. ¹⁰ καλοποιέω, do what is right, good. ¹¹ ὑπακούω, obey, listen. ¹² ἐπιστολή, ῆς, ἡ, letter, dispatch. ¹³ σημειόομαι, write, mark. ¹⁴ συναναμίγνυμι, associate with, mingle. ¹⁵ ἐντρέπω, turn about, reverence. ¹⁶ νουθετέω, admonish, exhort.

Αὐτὸς δὲ ὁ κύριος τῆς εἰρήνης δώη ὑμῖν τὴν εἰρήνην διὰ 16 παντὸς ἐν παντὶ τρόπω. ¹ Ὁ κύριος μετὰ πάντων ὑμῶν.

Ο ἀσπασμὸς² τῆ ἐμῆ χειρὶ Παύλου, ὅ ἐστιν σημεῖον ἐν 17 πάση ἐπιστολῆ:³ οὕτως γράφω. Ἡ χάρις τοῦ κυρίου 18 ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ χριστοῦ μετὰ πάντων ὑμῶν. Ἀμήν.

 $^{^1}$ τρόπος, ου, ὁ, manner, way. 2 ἀσπασμός, οῦ, ὁ, greeting, salutation. 3 ἐπιστολή, ῆς, ἡ, letter, dispatch.