

Orphaned but not Unloved

1 Thessalonians 2:13-20

**How should I handle
loneliness in my
Christian walk?**

(prayer)

Growing Together, While Apart

1 Impact of **Faith**

2a,b Toil of **Love**

3 Strength from **Hope**

4 Growing in Purity + **Love**

5a **Hope** of Salvation

5b Acts of **Faith**

Orphaned but not Unloved (1Thes2)

When we feel:

1. Directionless (v13)
2. Attacked (v14-16)
3. Forgotten (v17-20)

And we also thank God constantly for this,
that when you received the word of God,
which you heard from us,

you accepted it not as the word of men
but as what it really is, the word of God,
which is at work in you believers.

1 Thessalonians 2:13 (ESV)

But one who has looked intently
at the perfect law, the law of freedom,
and has continued in it, not having become
a forgetful hearer but an active doer,
this person will be blessed in what he does.

James 1:25 (NASB)

What is my
attitude towards
God's **Word**?

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For you, brothers, became imitators
of the churches of God in Christ Jesus
that are in Judea.

For you suffered the same things
from your own countrymen
as they did from the Jews,

1 Thessalonians 2:14 (ESV)

who killed both
the Lord Jesus and the prophets,
and drove us out,
and displease God
and oppose all mankind
16 by hindering us from speaking to the Gentiles
that they might be saved —

1 Thessalonians 2:15-16 (ESV)

If they persecuted me,
they will also persecute you.
If they kept my word, they will also keep yours.

21 But all these things they will do to you
on account of my name,
because they do not know him who sent me.

John 15:20-21 (ESV)

so as always to fill up
the measure of their sins.
But wrath has come upon them at last!

1 Thessalonians 2:16 (ESV)

Who else has
endured **suffering**
for the gospel?

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But since we were torn away from you,
brothers, for a short time,
in person not in heart,

1 Thessalonians 2:17 (ESV)

we endeavored the more eagerly and with
great desire to see you face to face,
18 because we wanted to come to you —
I, Paul, again and again —
but Satan hindered us.

1 Thessalonians 2:17-18 (ESV)

For what is our hope or joy
or crown of boasting
before our Lord Jesus at his coming?
Is it not you?

20 For you are our glory and joy.

1 Thessalonians 2:19-20 (ESV)

Why should we
continue **growing**
in faith in Christ?

(prayer)