

NIV MEMORY VERSE: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 General & Personal Letters 11-1

Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

"SANCTIFICATION AND THE DAY OF THE LORD"
READ 1 Thessalonians 4:1-5:28

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1. Share a thought from last week's lesson.
2. List the "one another/each other" phrases found in the Scripture for this lesson.

DAY 2 REVIEW 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12

3. a. About what had Paul instructed the Thessalonians?
 - b. What did that include according to Ephesians 4:1-3?
4. The prevailing social conditions and religious practices of heathenism prompted Paul's instruction on holiness.
 - a. From what should a Christian abstain?
 - b. How should we control our body?
 - c. What was said of adultery/fornication in verse 6?
5. "For God did not call us _____, but _____."
6. What was Paul's admonition in verse 8?
7. a. After commending their love of fellow Christians, what three exhortations did Paul give them?
 - b. Write Isaiah 32:17.
 - c. How do you think a Christian can mind his own business and still be an effective witness to another about the condition of his soul?

DAY 3 REVIEW 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

8. a. The unsaved grieve at death because they have no hope. When Christians die, where do they go? (see 2 Corinthians 5:8)
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8. b. Have you been to a Christian funeral and a non-Christian funeral? Please share what you observed in the attitude of the people who were present.
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9. What was Paul's message in verses 14-15?
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10. a. At His coming, the Lord will descend from heaven with what three sounds?
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10. b. Who shall rise first?
10. c. What will happen to those who are alive at His coming?
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10. d. How quickly will this take place? (see 1 Corinthians 15:51-52)

DAY 4 REVIEW 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

11. Briefly, how is the Day of the Lord described in the following Scriptures?
 11. a. Joel 2:30-32
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 11. b. Mark 13:24-27
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 11. c. 1 Thessalonians 5:2-3
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 11. d. 2 Peter 3:10-12
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12. a. What did Paul urge the Thessalonians to do?
12. b. What armor were they to put on?
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13. From verses 9-10 Christ's death resulted in what for believers?
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14. a. What twofold exhortation did Paul give in verse 11?
14. b. How does the doctrine of the Second Coming of Christ encourage you?

DAY 5 REVIEW 1 Thessalonians 5:12-28

15. a. Who should Christians appreciate/respect?
 - b. Please share your appreciation of someone who has had an impact in your Christian walk.
16. Whom should we . . .
 - a. admonish/warn?
 - b. encourage?
 - c. help?
 - d. be patient with?
17. a. What is the instruction in verse 15?
 - b. Share a thought on that instruction.
18. What is God's will for you in Christ Jesus?
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.
19. How do you think you can quench the Spirit?
20. What did Paul tell them in verses 20-22?
21. How did Paul pray for the "whole" man in his closing prayer?
22. Holiness was of vital interest to Paul in this letter. He wanted the Thessalonians to live lives which expressed the reality of their relationship to God. How has God provided for or shown you ways to live a holy life?

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LECTURE NOTES:

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Hebrews 12:1 "Therefore since we are surrounded by such a cloud of witnesses . . ."
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