

II Thessalonians 1; November 10; Blessing and Vengeance

ANALYSIS:

1. Paul said he gave thanks to God for the Thessalonians because _____ and _____.
2. What is a righteous thing with God to recompense? _____
3. What will the Lord Jesus Christ do when he is revealed from heaven with His angels in flaming fire? _____
4. What will the saints do when Jesus is revealed at His second coming? _____
5. How did Paul pray for the Thessalonians at this time? _____

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

The second coming of Christ in this chapter focuses on His judgment on the ungodly. Those who have persecuted God's simple godly saints can look forward to God's vengeance. Mighty angels in flaming fire will avenge the saints who have been horribly treated. Their punishment will be everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and the glory of His power. Some saints will have waited a long time for the Lord to avenge them (Rev 6:9-10). Their patience will here be rewarded!

The Lord does not count it strange for his saints to suffer. The Lord is a fair pay master: Blessings upon His saints, and vengeance upon His enemies who have shown their hatred toward Him by troubling His saints. Whatever we may experience as trouble now will be wiped away in the day of the Lord Jesus. Only glory bye and bye!

HELP:

1. The Thessalonians' faith groweth exceedingly, the charity of every one toward others aboundeth (v 3).
2. Tribulation to them who trouble the Thessalonians (v 6).
3. He will take vengeance on them that know not God and obey not the gospel (v 8).
4. They will glorify him and admire him (v 11).
5. [1] That God would count them worthy of this calling, [2] that God would fulfill all the good pleasure of his goodness, and the work of faith with power, [3] that the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you and ye in Him (vs 11-12).