

# 1 THESS CHAPTER 4

## BACKGROUND READING 1 THESS CH 1-5, EPH 1:1-14

### LESSON TEXT 1 THESS CHAPTER 3:11 – 4:8

3:11-13

Paul prays to God the Father and to Jesus our Lord, to direct “our” way to the Thessalonians, which is simple to understand. Then he prays for something else, that isn’t so simple and he specifically ask Jesus our Lord for it.

1. What is it he is asking for?
2. What two ways does he ask for it?
3. Do we know to what degree Paul wants this request?
4. If Jesus was to grant the request from Paul how would that be manifested?
5. Would we be wise in asking Jesus for the same thing?
6. What would be accomplished if Jesus the Lord were to grant that request?

***(looking to do a class discussion on this, please give time and mediation to these first 4 questions)***

4:1-8

Paul makes a request of the Thessalonians and gives statements of facts of what they have been taught by them and of their conduct. Then he elaborates on what that request would look in the form of actions on their part.

7. What is the main request?
8. What is God trying to accomplish with Paul’s request?
9. What are the 3 ways that the Thessalonians can accomplish this?
10. How does this tie back to 1<sup>st</sup> Thess 3:13?
11. How does the Holy Spirit play a part in all of this? ( other parts of the Bible will help with this, one being Ephesians 1:1-14 verses **13,14** being most helpful)
12. What is the warning that is given in verse 12 that will happen if they reject this request?