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To the Thessalonians (1)

Chapter One

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, to the community of the Thessalonians in Godde the Mother and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

²We always give thanks to Godde for all of you, mentioning you in our prayers, ³remembering before our Godde and Mother your work of trust, labor of love, and perseverance of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴Sisters and brothers beloved by Godde, we know that you are chosen ⁵because our good news didn't come to you in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit with full assurance. You know what kind of people we were among you for your sake. ⁶You became like us and the Lady, having welcomed the message with the joy of the Holy Spirit despite much oppression, ⁷so that you became an example to all who trust in Macedonia and Achaia. ⁸From you the message of the Lady has resounded, not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place your trust toward Godde has become known, so that we don't need to say anything. ⁹They talk about what kind of visit we had with you, and how you turned to Godde from idols to serve a living and true Godde ¹⁰and to wait for her Son from heaven, whom she raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the coming punishment.

Chapter Two

You yourselves know, sisters and brothers, that our visit to you wasn't in vain, ²but after suffering and being mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we took courage in our Godde to tell you Godde's good news, despite much opposition. ³Our encouragement isn't based on fraud, impure motives, or deceit. ⁴On the contrary, we speak as Godde has approved us to be entrusted with the good news, not to please people but Godde, who tests our hearts. ⁵Nor were we ever found using flattery, as you know, nor a motive of greed, as Godde is our witness; ⁶nor seeking glory from people (neither from you nor from others) ⁷when we could have claimed authority as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle with you, like a nursing mother cherishing her own children. ⁸Since we care about you, we wanted to share with you not only Godde's good news, but also our own selves, because we love you that much.

⁹You remember, sisters and brothers, our toil and hardship! We worked night and day so that we wouldn't burden any of you as we proclaimed to you Godde's good news. ¹⁰With you and Godde as our witnesses, we were holy, just, and blameless toward you who trust. ¹¹As you know, we were to each of you like a father to his own children. ¹²We encouraged, comforted, and urged you to live worthy of Godde, who calls you into her own reign and glory.

¹³For this reason we always give thanks to Godde too that when you received Godde's message from us, you accepted it not as the message of mortals, but for what it really is, the message of Godde which also works in you who trust. ¹⁴For you, sisters and brothers, became like Godde's communities in Judea in Christ Jesus, because you too suffered the same way from your own compatriots as they did from the Jewish leaders ¹⁵who killed both the Lord Jesus and the prophets and also drove us out. They don't please Godde and they oppose everyone, ¹⁶trying to stop us from speaking to the Gentiles so that they may be given life. As a result, they continue to pile up their offenses. But they got their punishment in the end!

¹⁷But, sisters and brothers, being separated from you for a little while – in person, not in spirit – we eagerly tried even harder to see you face-to-face ¹⁸because we wanted to come to you—certainly I, Paul, again and again—but the Satan hindered us. ¹⁹After all, what's our hope, joy, or crown of boasting in the presence of our Lord Jesus when he comes? Isn't it you? ²⁰Yes, you're our glory and joy!

Chapter Three

So when we couldn't stand it any longer, we were happy to be left alone at Athens,² and we sent Timothy, our brother and Godde's minister and our co-worker in the good news of Christ, to strengthen and encourage you in your trust³ so that no one would be shaken by this oppression. You yourselves know that we're destined for this.⁴ In fact, when we were still with you we warned you beforehand that we would suffer oppression, and sure enough it turned out that way, as you know.⁵ Because of this, when I couldn't stand it any longer, I sent Timothy to find out about your trust in case the Tempter had tempted you and our labor had been in vain.

⁶But now Timothy has come back to us from you and announced to us the good news of your trust and love. He has told us that you always have good memories of us, longing to see us just as much as we long to see you.⁷ For this reason, sisters and brothers, in all our hardship and oppression we were encouraged about you through your trust,⁸ because now we live, if you stand firm in the Lady.⁹ How can we thank Godde enough for you for all the joy we have because of you before our Godde?¹⁰ Night and day we sincerely pray that we may see you face-to-face and supply what's lacking in your trust.

¹¹Now may our Godde and Mother herself and our Lord Jesus Christ guide our way to you,¹² and may the Lady make you grow and overflow in love toward each other and toward everyone (just as we do toward you too)¹³ so that she may strengthen your hearts to be blameless in holiness before our Godde and Mother at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his holy ones. Amen.

Chapter Four

Finally, sisters and brothers, we beg and encourage you in the Lord Jesus that, as you learned from us how you ought to live (as you are in fact living) and to please Godde, that you do so even more,² because you know what instructions we gave you through the Lord Jesus.³ This is Godde's will: that you be holy; that you avoid promiscuity;⁴ that each one of you know how to control their own body in holiness and honor,⁵ not in the lust of desire, even as the Gentiles who don't know Godde;⁶ that no one should wrong or take advantage of a sister or brother in this matter, because the Lady will punish all these things, just as we warned you before and testified too.⁷ Godde did not call us to be corrupt, but holy.⁸ So whoever rejects this doesn't reject people, but Godde, who has given her Holy Spirit to you too.

⁹There's no need to write to you about love for sisters and brothers, because you yourselves are taught by Godde to love each other.¹⁰ In fact, you do love all the sisters and brothers in all Macedonia. But we encourage you, sisters and brothers, to overflow even more¹¹ and make it your goal to lead a quiet life, mind your own business, and work with your own hands just as we instructed you,¹² so that you may behave properly toward those who are outside and be dependent on no one.

¹³Sisters and brothers, we don't want you to be ignorant about those who sleep, in case you might grieve like the rest who have no hope.¹⁴ Because if we trust that Jesus died and rose, in the same way through Jesus Godde will bring with him those who have fallen asleep.¹⁵ By the word of the Lady, we tell you that we who are still alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have fallen asleep.¹⁶ Because the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the archangel's voice, and with Godde's trumpet, and the dead in Christ will rise first.¹⁷ Then we who are still alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever.¹⁸ So then, encourage each other with these words.

Chapter Five

There's no need to write to you about the times and the seasons, sisters and brothers,² because you yourselves know very well that the Lady's day comes like a thief at night.³ When they're saying, "Peace

and security,” sudden destruction will overtake them like birth pains of a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! ⁴But you, sisters and brothers, aren’t in darkness so that the day could overtake you like a thief. ⁵You’re all children of light and children of the day. We don’t belong to the night or to darkness, ⁶so let’s not sleep like the rest but remain awake and exercise self-control. ⁷Those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who are drunk, get drunk at night. ⁸But since we belong to the day, we should exercise self-control, putting on the breastplate of trust and love, and the hope of life for a helmet. ⁹Godde didn’t choose us for punishment, but for life through our Lord Jesus Christ ¹⁰who died for us so that, whether we’re awake or asleep, we should live together with him. ¹¹So encourage each other and build each other up, just as you’re doing.

¹²We beg you, sisters and brothers, to know those who labor among you, stand before you in the Lady, and instruct you, ¹³and to hold them in the highest regard in love for the sake of their work. Be at peace among yourselves. ¹⁴We encourage you, sisters and brothers, to instruct those who are out of order, comfort those who are disheartened, support the weak, and be patient with everyone. ¹⁵Watch out so that no one repays wrong for wrong, but always pursue what’s good both for each other and for everyone else.

¹⁶Rejoice always. ¹⁷Pray without ceasing. ¹⁸Give thanks in everything, because this is Godde’s will for you in Christ Jesus. ¹⁹Don’t quench the Spirit. ²⁰Don’t reject prophesies. ²¹Test everything and hold firmly to what’s good. ²²Avoid every form of evil.

²³Now may the Godde of peace herself make you completely holy, and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. ²⁴The one who calls you is trustworthy, and will do it too.

²⁵Sisters and brothers, pray for us too. ²⁶Greet all the sisters and brothers with a holy kiss. ²⁷I solemnly urge you before the Lady to read this letter to all the sisters and brothers.

²⁸May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.