

Summit Woods Baptist Church
Sermon Study Equipping Class

2 Thessalonians 2:13

Remember to begin your study early in the week so that you have time to really think (and keep thinking) about the passage without being rushed.

❖ Day 1

Read 2 Thess. 2:13.

For these lessons, the sermon text is provided in a format that visually helps display the structure of the paragraph or section of text. The main verbs are underlined. Commands are double-underlined. Generally, the main indicative clauses remain to the left, and the other clauses are either directly underneath when they have equal priority to what comes before, or are tabbed to the right when the clause supports, develops, or draws a conclusion from a neighboring clause.

¹³ But we should always give thanks
to God
for you,
brethren beloved
by the Lord,
because God has chosen you
from the beginning
for salvation
through sanctification
by the Spirit
and faith
in the truth.

- 1. Re-read Verses 9-12 along with Verses 13-17. What is the nature of the contrast/shift between 9-12 and 13-17?**

- 2. Re-read verse 13 along with 2 Thessalonians 1:3, Romans 1:8 and Ephesians 5:20. What do these verses have in common?**

- 3. Re-read verse 13 along with 1 Thessalonians 1:4. Once again, Paul repeats a phrase he has used before. Why do we see this repetition?**

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4. Re-read Verse and Ephesians 1:4. What is the key phrase that tie these two verses?

5. What does the phrase “God has chosen you...” mean for those of us who are believers?

❖ Day 2

Read 2 Thess. 2:13 again.

6. What are the features of salvation we see in this week’s passage?

7. Compare this week’s passage with 1 Cor. 1:21; 1 Thess. 2:12; and 1 Peter 1:5. What are some of the other descriptions of salvation we see in these additional verses?

8. How do you define “sanctification”?

9. How are we sanctified, according to our verse?

10. Note the preposition “through” in verse 13. What is this prepositional phrase describing? What does this mean? Compare other translations or reference a commentary for help.

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❖ Day 3

Read 2 Thess. 2:13 again.

11. Re-read verse 13 along with verse 2 of chapter 2. What is the main point of chapter 2 that Paul is now reinforcing for the Thessalonians?

12. Consider 2 Thess. 2:1-2. Regarding what are the Thessalonians not to be disturbed about? How would verse 13 comfort them?

13. How would you summarize the admonition and encouragement of verse 13?

14. What applications can you draw from our passage?

15. How might you encourage another believer in light of this passage?

16. How might this verse spur you on toward evangelism this week and in the coming days?

In preparation for Sunday, pray with gratitude for the saving work of God for believers. Pray in faith and confidence to be unshaken by the doubts and attacks of the enemy in the world.