

**LIVING IN THE LAST DAYS - "THE BASICS"  
II THESSALONIANS 3:1-18**

1. Paul comes to the close of these 2 letters and he begins chapter 3 saying, "Finally...". He had some last things to say, some important matters to still address. Is there someone in your life who God is nudging you to share some important spiritual truths? If you were to never have contact again with this person are there spiritual truths you believe you need to share?
2. Prayer is never far from Paul's mind and heart. In verse 1, Paul is personal in requesting prayer. When was the last time you asked someone to pray for you? Do you have people who you give and receive prayer requests from? Are some of those requests similar to Paul's requests?
3. The spread of the "word of the Lord" was Paul's priority. What is important about this use of the "word of the Lord" in Scripture? Paul was determined to evangelize. Do you share that passion? How has God used you to be a witness?
4. Paul, as a missionary, realized he needed the prayers of the church for spiritual fruit to occur and for the preaching and teaching of God's Word to be successful. What was he specifically praying for in regards to God's Word? What was Paul appealing to? Hint: he wanted others to experience what happens when God's word is honored. What is that experience like? Any thoughts? Why is the attitude of honoring God's Word important for spiritual growth?
5. The theme of spiritual warfare is again brought up. What do you find in verses 1-5? Paul assures them that God will guard them against Satan. Why would the church need this encouragement and assurance? What did we learn last week from 2 Thessalonians 2 and the "Man of Lawlessness"? What evil do you believe you need protection from?
6. Paul closes with the need to experience the "love of God"? When was the last time God's love impacted you?