

LETTERS OF ENCOURAGEMENT-5

“Growing and Learning”

1 Thessalonians 2:13-20

Introduction _____

I. FIRST, NOTICE HOW HE EMPHASIZES THE WORD OF GOD IN US (1 Thessalonians 2:13).

- A. The Word of God tells us what to do (Psalm 119:5).
- B. The Word of God cleanses us (Psalm 119:9).
- C. The Word of God keeps us from sin (Psalm 119:11).
- D. The Word of God gives us life (Psalm 119:25).
- E. The Word of God strengthens us (Psalm 119:28).
- F. The Word of God restores our hope (Psalm 119:49).
- G. The Word of God comforts us (Psalm 119:50).
- H. The Word of God helps us not to go astray (Psalm 119:67).
- I. The Word of God guides us (Psalm 119:105).
- J. The Word of God brings us joy (Psalm 119:62).

II. SECONDLY, SEE HOW HE EXPLAINS ABOUT THE ENEMIES OF GOD UPON US (1 Thessalonians 2:14-16).

When we believe the Word of God, we’re going to face opposition. Why?

- A. First, because the Gospel exposes the ugliness of sin (Jeremiah 17:9).
- B. Secondly, the Gospel forgives undeserving sinners (Romans 5:8).
- C. Thirdly, the Gospel predicts unreal punishment for sin (1 Thessalonians 2:16).

III. THIRDLY, NOTE HOW HE _____ THE PEOPLE _____ US (1 Thessalonians 2:17).

IV. FOURTHLY, CONSIDER HOW HE _____ HOW THE ADVERSARY IS _____ US (1 Thessalonians 2:18).

V. FIFTHLY, READ HOW _____ HE WAS, KNOWING THE REWARDS _____ US (1 Thessalonians 1:19-20).