

The Epistle of Thessalonians  
Bible Study October 1<sup>st</sup> , 2020 Chapter 5: verses 12 to 28  
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**Chapter 5** of 1Thessalonians verses 1 through 11 Paul speaks in detail concerning the day of the Lord and provides his final instructions to the Thessalonians in verses 12 through 24. Verses 25 through 28 represent Paul's final greetings and benediction to this.

**Verse 12** The Apostle Paul is telling the congregation of Thessalonica that they must respect the spiritual leadership that God has placed over them to care for them and admonish them. The spiritual leaders are to be regarded highly, which mean to look closely or attentively and observe steadily in respect, admiration, and affection.

**Verse 13** Paul states that the spiritual leadership should be held in the highest regard in love because of the work that they do. Paul states that Believers should be at peace with each other.

**Verse 14** Paul encourages all the brothers and sisters to warn those who are unruly and disruptive, and to comfort and encourage those who are deficient, support the weak, and be patient with all people.

**Verse 15** Paul tells the Thessalonians to be sure that no one pays back wrong for wrong, but always looking for opportunity to do good among each other and to all people.

**Verse 16** Always be cheerful and celebrate who God is.

**Verse 17** Continually seek God in prayer.

**Verse 18** Paul states that believers should always give thanks to God in every event or circumstance for the good He can bring out of that situation even if it is unpleasant.

**Verse 19** Do not quench the Spirit, which means do not hinder or suppress the working of the Spirit of God such as rejoicing, praying, giving thanks even in adverse situation, in other words do not stop the manifestations of the Holy Spirit when it comes upon you.

**Verse 20 -22** Do not overlook or disrespect prophesying (to forecast future revelations) however, test or prove them all, hold to that is sound doctrine and reject all that is evil, even that which gives the appearance of evil.

**Verse 23** This verse defines what is considered to be the whole man or person from a creative standpoint which include man's spirit, soul, and body.

**Verse 24** Paul tells the Thessalonians that the one who calls you is also faithful to do what He promised.

**Verse 25** Paul exhorts the brethren to pray for him and his associates as they continue to labor for the kingdom of God.

**Verse 26** To greet each other with a holy kiss was a custom of Paul's day and was an expression of mutual affection and friendship. This kiss was considered sacred, physically pure, and morally blameless, that why it is call a holy kiss.

- Romans 16:16

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- 1Corinthians 16:20
- 2Corinthians 13:12

**Verse 27** Paul charge or (Directs) the leadership of the church of Thessalonica that this letter be read to all the brothers and sisters.

**Verse 28** Paul end the letter by bestowing the unmerited favor of our Lord Jesus Christ upon all the Thessalonians.