

Practical section

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The Battle of the Senses – Session 6 PFAL

The moment the 5 senses took precedence over the Word of God calamity resulted.

The lie has never changed, “Ye shall **not** surely die.”

Satan doesn’t argue the Word anymore because there is no more “Word” left.

Satan has pretty well succeeded in getting rid of the Word of God in the world today.

Isaiah 30:15 – “...quietness and confidence shall be our strength...”

Psalms 62:8 – “Trust in Him at all times; ye People, Pour out your heart before Him: God *is* a refuge for us. Selah.”

Enough said. Selah.

Walter Cummins

II Thessalonians 1:1-3 – Dr. covered these verses quite well last week.

We are obligated as leaders to pray for people.

1:4 – so that – oste – expresses a result of something, can be a designed result, i.e. “so as to” or “in order to”

When you are working a verse, and the words in a verse use an Interlinear and a Concordance and a Lexicon. Use every study tool available to you, don’t settle for just one opinion on a word.

The designed result for your giving thanks to God for your people is your ability to boast about someone. You can boast about someone if you pray for them. It is your obligation to pray for them.

1:4 – glory – kauchaomai – to boast, to undertake a praise worthy testimony

Genuine boasting begins with thanksgiving to God for them.

I Corinthians 1:29 – glory – boast – no flesh can boast in his presence

I Corinthians 3:21 – glory – boast – Do not boast in men. This is in respect to worldly man. Your hero shouldn't be an unbeliever. Do not boast in men.

Galatians 6:13, 14 – glory – boast – We cannot boast in the flesh. Nothing we do to our flesh impresses God unless it is for a godly reason, for instance, if you keep your body fit then it is a godly reason, but if you get a circumcision, which is not necessary any longer, then it's just something to do. That type of fleshly thing is just for you. Because, no flesh can boast before God.

Ephesians 2:8, 9 – We cannot boast about our status as sons of God as if it were our doing. We are saved because of God's grace. Nothing we do or can do will ever win us grace. It is a gift of God.

Philippians 3:3 – rejoice – boast – We boast in Christ Jesus. He is our Lord, we should be proud of that fact. We are not of this world any more because of our Lord so yell it out! Be proud! Boast!

II Thessalonians 1:4 – we – is usually part of the verb but in rare cases it is not. This is one case it causes it to be emphatic.

Paul, Timothy and Silas were united.

Churches – plural, a limb or country or all of the churches

For – hyper – about, concerning, on behalf of

Patience – you must have hope to be patient

Believing – patience in believing

The Thessalonians are strong in all three of the things he was concerned for in I Thessalonians.

Persecute – diogmos – (verb-dioko) pursue, press

Endure – anechomai – up/hold, erect and firm, up against something

The vital part of all of this is that it stems from verse 3 where a prayer of thanksgiving to God is the central focus point.

1:5 – which is – is in italics. These words are put in here because it's axiomatic that they must be supplied. The last phrase, "persecution and tribulations that ye endure: Which is" is just to be understood. It's the FOS ellipsis, meaning an omission. The "which is" puts it into the nominative, so it's an elliptical nominative.

manifest – endigma – the thing pointed out, proof, demonstration or evidence or a thing provided. How is this thing provided? Well that is the point of this particular verse, of the righteous judgment of God. Used only here.

Philippians 1:27 – You must get your walk lined up with where you are geographically. You stand out because of your walk in Christ. That doesn't mean that

you wear outrageous clothing or act indecorous just to get attention. When you preach the gospel you will get attention, but if you have done something that is unacceptable or outside the norm you are injuring your witness. Dressing well and having decorum is not following the world; it is being smart. God doesn't care what you wear.

II Corinthians 8:24 – proof – these people were showing proof of their love to everyone and Paul was able to boast about them.

II Thessalonians 1:5 – counted worthy – kataxiomai – to hold in high honor, deserving of rewards (“for rewards” should be in parentheses behind worthy) because of your faithfulness, your patience, your believing, standing, enduring anything anybody say. You stay put on God's Word that you may be deserving of rewards of the Kingdom of God. This is a direct encouragement to stand faithful. Of – could be translated “in”. Found worthy in the Kingdom of God. The Kingdom of God is the overall reign of God. Which ye suffer also – because you stand for the truth of God's Word. That's why you get persecuted, and it is a willing suffering because you deliberately will to stand for God's Word. Their sufferings here in Thessalonica were due to their believing, thus the rewards are given.