

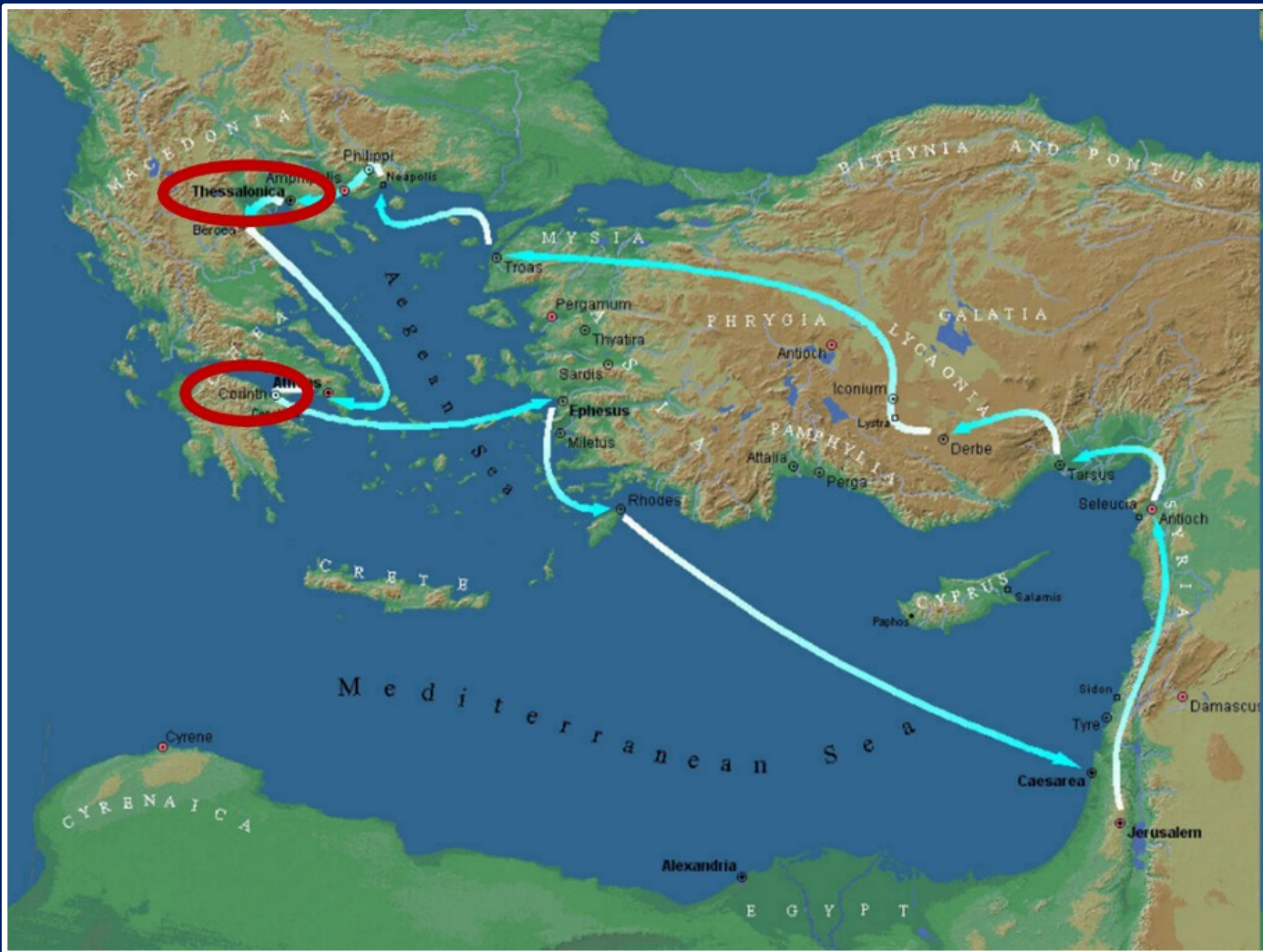
2 Thessalonians

BALANCE: WORKING & WAITING



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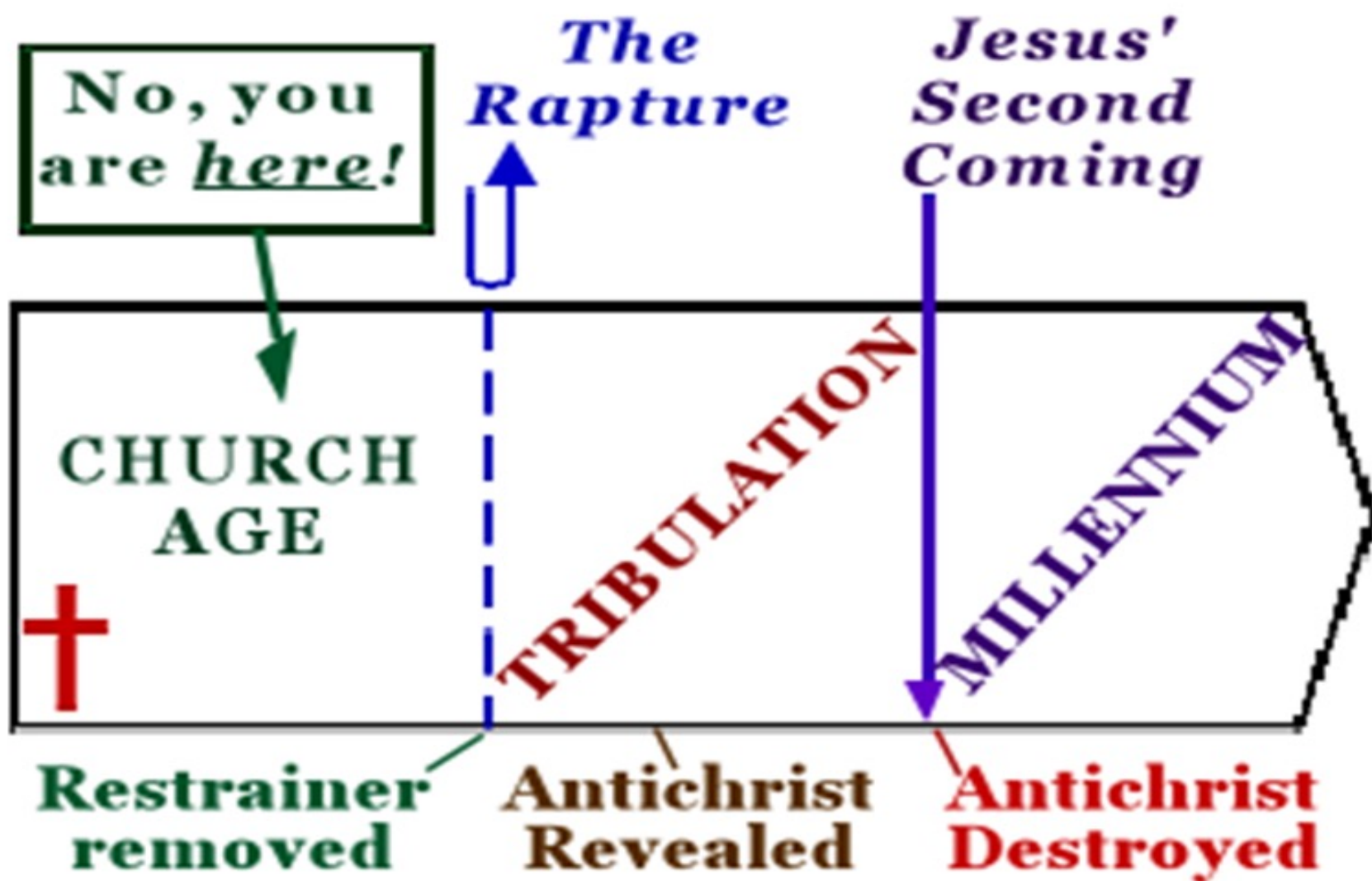


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Paul's Correction of their Error



The Thessalonians' False Idea

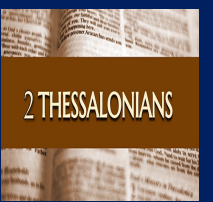


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Ephesians 4:11-16

“¹¹ And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, ¹² for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ; ¹³ until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ. ¹⁴ As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by...



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“ . . . waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming; ¹⁵ but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him who is the head, even Christ, ¹⁶ from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.”

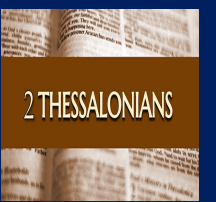


Mark 7:13

“*thus* invalidating the word of God by your tradition which you have handed down; and you do many things such as that.”



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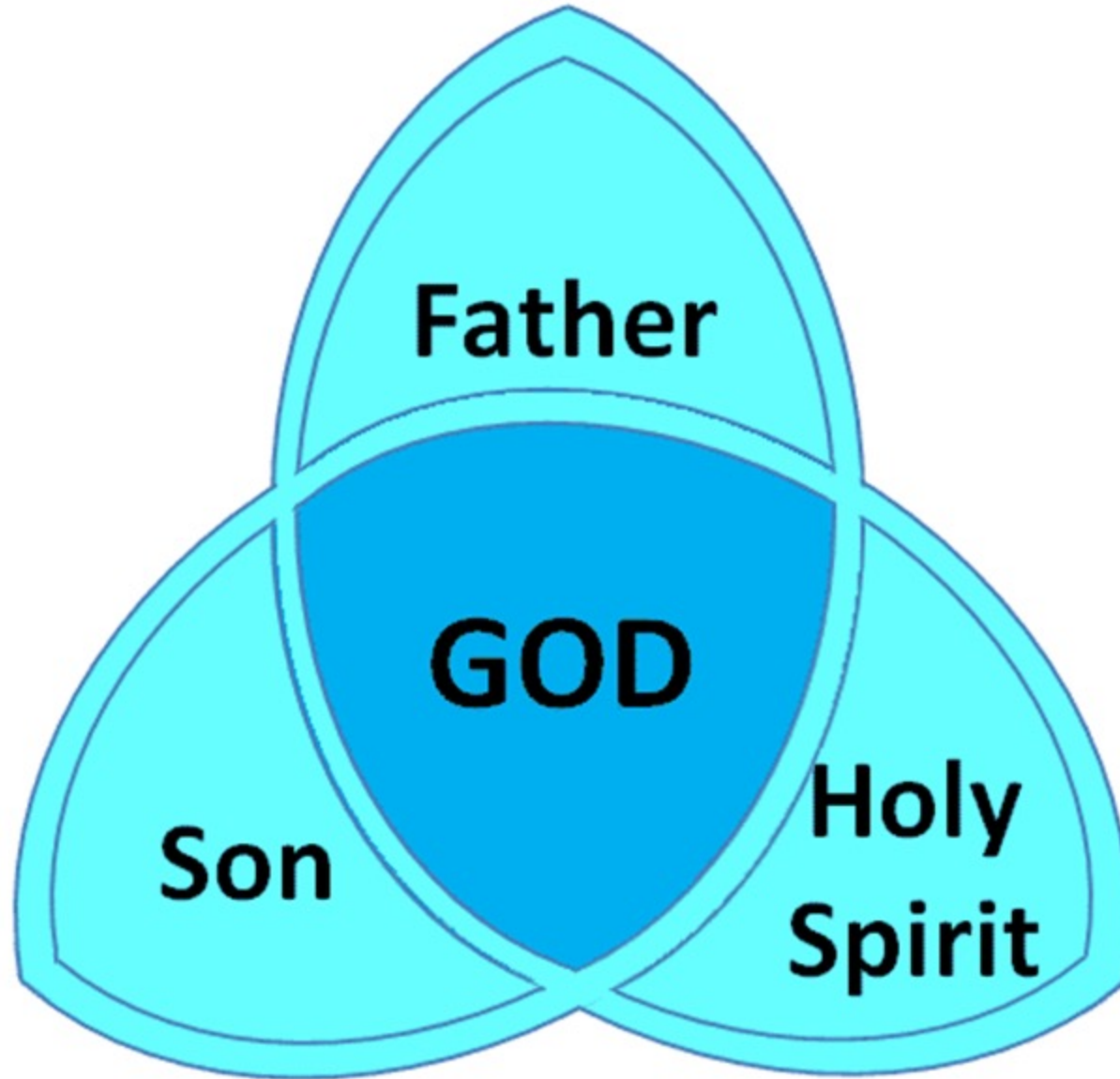
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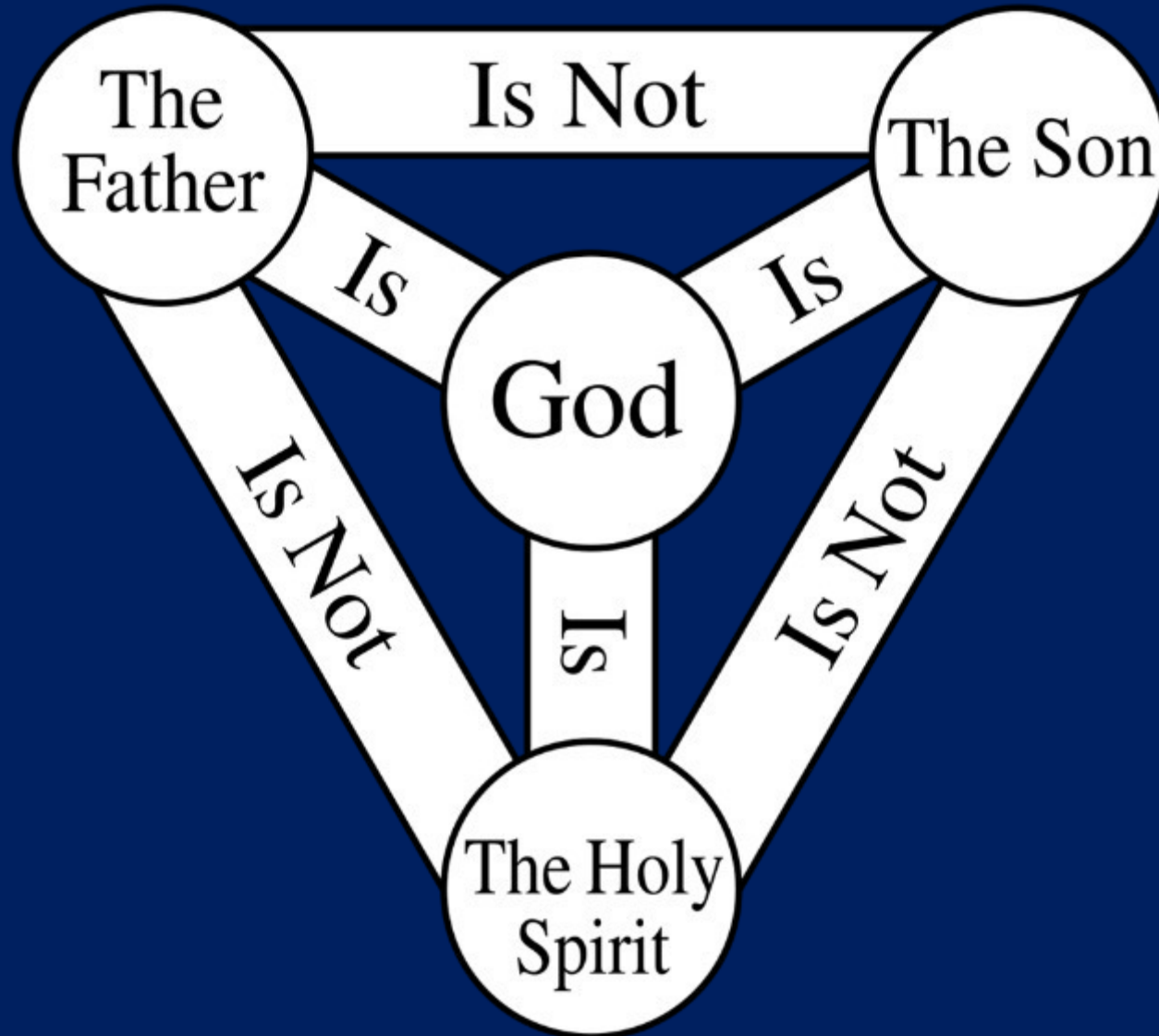
Holy
Spirit



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John 14:16-17

¹⁶ I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever; ¹⁷ *that is* the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know Him, *but* you know Him because He abides with you and will be in you.



Definition of Eternal Security



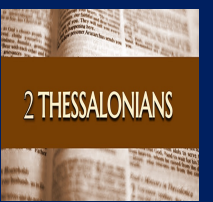
“The new birth has given every believer the confident assurance of God’s certain and future blessings. The word ‘hope’ in the Bible does not involve anxious wishing or uncertainty; rather it means a confident assurance of something yet future. Unlike the empty and false hopes of this world-system, God has given believers a ‘living hope’ of guaranteed future blessings ‘by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead’...”

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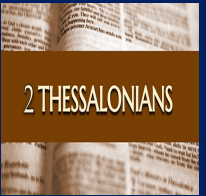
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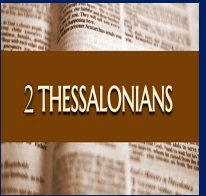


- 1 – Commendation
- 2 – Correction
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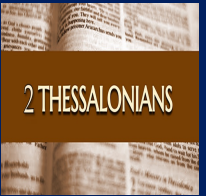
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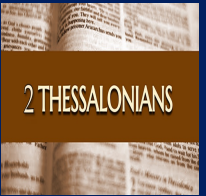
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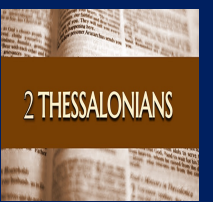


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