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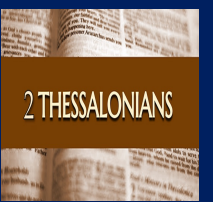
BALANCE: WORKING & WAITING



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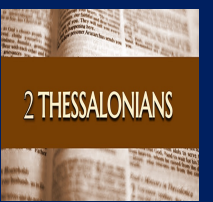
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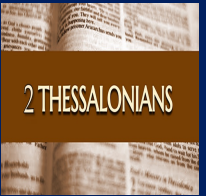
- Problem (2:1-2)
- Prerequisites for the Day of the Lord (2:3-12)
 - ◆ The departure (2:3a)
 - ◆ Advent of the lawless one (2:3b-4)
 - ◆ Removal of the restrainer (2:5-7)
 - ◆ Destruction of the lawless one (2:8-9)
 - ◆ Destruction of lawless one's followers (2:10-12)



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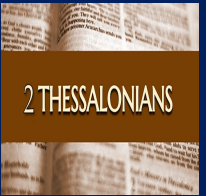


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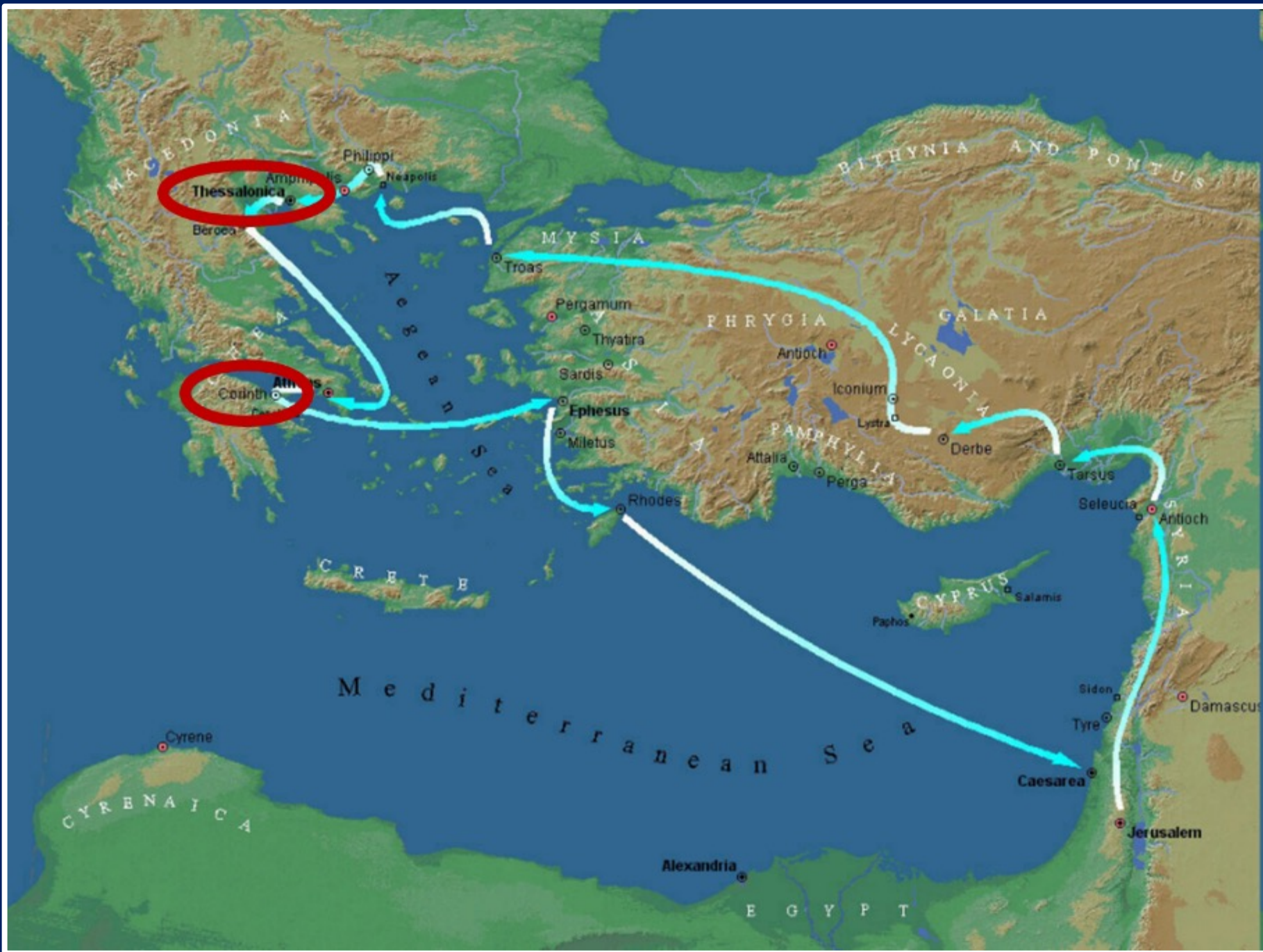
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Names & Titles Demonstrating Satan's Post-Fall, Earthly Authority

(Job 1:7; 2:2; Luke 4:5-8; Rom. 8:19-22)



- Prince of this world (John 12:31; 14:30; 16:11)
- God of this age (2 Cor. 4:4)
- Prince and power of the air (Eph. 2:2)
- Who the believer wrestles with (Eph. 6:12)
- Roaring lion (1 Pet. 5:8)
- Whole world lies in his power (1 John 5:19)

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Three Tenses of Salvation

Phase	Justification	<u>SANCTIFICATION</u>	Glorification
Tense	Past	<u>PRESENT</u>	Future
Saved from sin's:	Penalty	<u>POWER</u>	Presence
Scripture	Eph 2:8-9; Titus 3:5	<u>PHILIP 2:12</u>	Rom 5:10
Nature	Single	<u>DUAL</u>	Single

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Thomas L. Constable

“Notes on 2 Peter,” online: www.soniclight.com,
accessed 21 January 2020, 12.

“Unlike other New Testament ethical lists (except Rom. 5:3-5), Peter used a literary device called ‘sorites’ (also called ‘climax’ or *gradatio*). Sorites (from the Gr. *soros*, ‘a heap’) is a set of statements that proceed, step by step, to a climactic conclusion through the force of logic or reliance upon a series of indisputable facts. Each new statement picks up the last key word or phrase of the preceding one.”

PORTRAIT OF GROWTH

1:5-7



FAITH

GOODNESS

KNOWLEDGE

SELF CONTROL

PERSERVERENCE

GODLINESS

BROTHERLY KINDNESS

LOVE

2 Peter 1:5-7

⁵ Now for this very reason also, applying all diligence, in your faith supply moral excellence, and in *your* moral excellence, knowledge, ⁶ and in *your* knowledge, self-control, and in *your* self-control, **perseverance** [*hypomonē*], and in *your* perseverance, godliness, ⁷ and in *your* godliness, brotherly kindness, and in *your* brotherly kindness, love.



2 Thessalonians 2:2

“that you not be quickly shaken from your composure or be disturbed either by a spirit or a message or a letter as if from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord [the Tribulation] has come.”



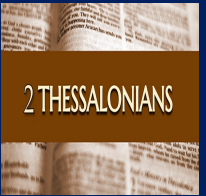
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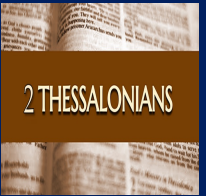
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