

Notes for 1 Thessalonians chapter 1

Reference	Doctrine	Implication	Cross References	Notes
1 Thess. 1:1	Church	“Church” is an assembly of those who believe Jesus is the Christ	Acts 2:47; 1 Cor. 1:2; Heb. 2:12	ἐκκλησια = literally “called out ones”
1 Thess. 1:1	<i>Notice the variant reading at the end of this verse.</i>		2 Thess. 1:1-2; Col. 1:1-2, etc.	inclusion - KJV, NKJV, YLT exclusion - ESV, NASB, NIV, RSV, HCSB
1 Thess. 1:2	Prayer	Emphasis on Thanksgiving in prayer	1 Thess. 5:17; 2 Thess. 1:3;	προσευχη = prayer to God
1 Thess. 1:3	Sanctification	Faith, Love, Hope	1 Thess. 5:8; 1 Cor. 13:13	αγαπη = love
1 Thess. 1:4	Election	God chose them	Romans 9:11; 11:5,7; 2 Peter 1:10	εκλογη = election
1 Thess. 1:5	The Word	The Word of God is the power of God	2 Thess. 2:14; Rom. 1:16	power...Holy Spirit...certain confidence
1 Thess. 1:6-8	Christian life	Our response to difficulties in life affects others positively or negatively	Phil. 3:17-19; 2 Thess. 3:9	imitators... example...
1 Thess. 1:9	Theology	Contrast between God and idols	Jeremiah 10:10; John 17:3	a living and true God
1 Thess. 1:10	Eschatology	Jesus returns from heaven	Acts 1:11; Phil. 3:20; Heb. 9:28	we wait for Jesus
1 Thess. 1:10	Resurrection	Jesus was raised from the dead	Acts 3:15; Rom. 1:4; 1 Cor. 15	The resurrection proves Jesus’ deity
1 Thess. 1:10	Soteriology	Salvation is only in Jesus	Rom. 5:9-10; 1 Thess. 5:9	Jesus is our salvation

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