

# Has Satan Hindered You?

1 Thessalonians - Study #3 - Chapter 2:13-20

v.13 **And** because of this we also are constantly giving thanks to God, **because** when you took to yourselves the word of divine preaching that goes out from us, you welcomed not the word of men, but even as truly it is, God's word, which also is operating in you who are believing.

v.14 **For** you became imitators, **brethren**, of the assemblies of God which are in Judea in Christ Jesus, **because** you also suffered the same things at the hands of your own countrymen, even as also they did from the Jews,

v.15 <sup>1</sup>those who also <sup>2</sup>killed the Lord Jesus **and** <sup>3</sup>the prophets, **and** <sup>4</sup>drove us out, **and** <sup>5</sup>are not pleasing God **and** <sup>6</sup>are hostile to all men,

v.16 <sup>7</sup>forbidding us to tell the Gentiles **in order** that they might be saved; to the end that they might fill up the measure of their sins always.

**And** there came upon them the wrath in the end.

v.17 **But** we, **brethren**, were made orphans by separation from you for a short season--in person, not in heart (outwardly not inwardly)--

How?

- 1 World
- 2 Flesh
- 3 Spiritual walk

Four steps:

- 1 Heard
- 2 Received
- 3 welcomed
- 4 worked

Tim 3:16, 17

Purifying - 1 Cor. 7:1

Priorities - Matt. 6:33

Reason

Reason why he knew the word they became imitators

Participles

Genesis 15:16

Rom. 1:24, 26, 28

Contrast

1:2,3

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Reason

Welcoming Working

single condition

Purpose

John 14:18  
Bereaved of a child  
Nursing mother  
Father

only here in N.T.



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And there came upon them the wrath in the end.

Contrast

v.17 But we, brethren, were made orphans by separation from you for a short season--in person, not in heart (outwardly not inwardly)--we made every effort all the more with much desire to see your face.

John 14:18  
Bereaved of a child  
Nursing Mother  
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Reason why Paul wished to see them!!

Reason

v.18 Because of this we desired to come to you, indeed, I Paul, not only once but twice, but Satan hindered us.

Gal. 5:7 I Pet. 3:7 1 Thess. 2:18

Military word  
Breaking up road to construct bridges!

Question #1

Reason

v.19 For what is our hope or joy or crown of glorying? Is it not even you in the presence of our Lord Jesus at His coming?

Question #2

Reason

v.20 For you are our glory and joy.

People Not Possessions!

it was an event (Artist)  
Physical  
Pressure