

1 Thessalonians

Chapter 3

Verse 10

1. What a prayer life Paul possessed! Paul obviously believed that prayer made an _____ on how things go down here on earth.
2. Paul longed to see the Thessalonians, but Satan had hindered him repeatedly (2:18). What did Paul do about it? He prayed diligently to the God who _____ and is moved by our prayers.
3. Several times, Paul commends the Thessalonians for their faith (1:3, 2:13, 3:6-7). They had a great and active faith, yet there were still aspects that needed _____.
4. Let this be a lesson. The best of Christians still have room to _____ in their faith.

Verse 11

1. What was Paul's prayerful desire? He wanted to be able to see the Thessalonians face to face.
2. But notice Paul's yieldedness to God in this verse.
3. When we pray, it is never wrong to share with God our _____ and requests (unless they contradict God's Word), but then we must _____ to a loving Father who knows what is best for our lives.
4. Our responsibility is to _____ His Word, yield to Him completely, and _____ Him in all that we do.

Verse 12

1. In verse 12, Paul uses the words "*increase*" and "*abound*" to emphasize the point that he desired for their love to _____. 4:9-10
2. Believers should constantly be alert and aware of opportunities that we have to show _____ to others.

- *“A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.”* **John 13:34-35**

Verse 13

1. At His coming, Paul teaches that believers' hearts will be _____
(stablished) in unblameable holiness before God. 1 Corinthians 1:7-9
 - *“Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.”* **Philippians 3:21**
2. At His coming, Christ will change our vile bodies and fashion them like unto His _____ body.