1 THESSALONIANS 3 vs 1

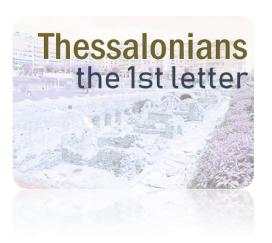


This little letter to this Greek community, written around 50AD... is the first letter Paul wrote to the church Jesus said He was building.

¹ Therefore when we could no longer endure it, we thought it best to be left alone at Athens;

² and we sent Timothy, our brother and co-laborer, in the good news of Christ, to strengthen you and encourage you concerning your faith:

³ so that no one will be shaken by these persecutions: for you yourselves know that we are destined for this.



⁴ For indeed, when we were with you, we had warned you in advance that we would experience affliction; and you know, it happened.

⁵ For this reason, when I also no longer endured it, I also sent him to find out about your faith, lest the tempter might have tempted you, and our labor was for nothing.

⁶ But now Timothy has returned from you, and brought us good news of your faith and love, and that you always have good memories of us, desiring to see us, as we also to see you:

 7 for this brothers and sisters, through all our trouble and distress, were are encouraged about you through your faith.

⁸ For now we live, if you stand firm in the Lord.

 9 For how can we thank God for you, in return for all the joy we have before our God on account of you;

¹⁰ as night and day we pray especially to see you face to face, and finish what is lacking in your faith?

¹¹ Now may our God and Father Himself, and our Lord Jesus Christ, direct our way to you.

 12 And may the Lord cause you to increase and overflow with love for one another, and for everyone, even as we do for you:

¹³ May He establish your hearts without blame in wholeness before our God, even our Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints.

3 Days are still on His Calendar