

# 2 THESSALONIANS

THE NAME OF OUR LORD JESUS  
CHRIST MAY BE GLORIFIED IN US!

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13-12



MACEDONIA

Thessalonica ■

(GREECE)

ACHAIA

Corinth ■

Philippi ■

ASIA MINOR

ASIA

GALATIA

Ephesus ■

Colossae ■

ADRIA SEA

Tarsus ■

CILICIA

Syrian Antioch ■

SYRIA

CRETE

CYPRUS

## Acts 15:36-18:22

## **2 Thessalonians 1:3-12**

**Dear brothers and sisters, we can't help but thank God for you, because your faith is flourishing and your love for one another is growing.**

**We proudly tell God's other churches about your endurance and faithfulness in all the persecutions and hardships you are suffering.**

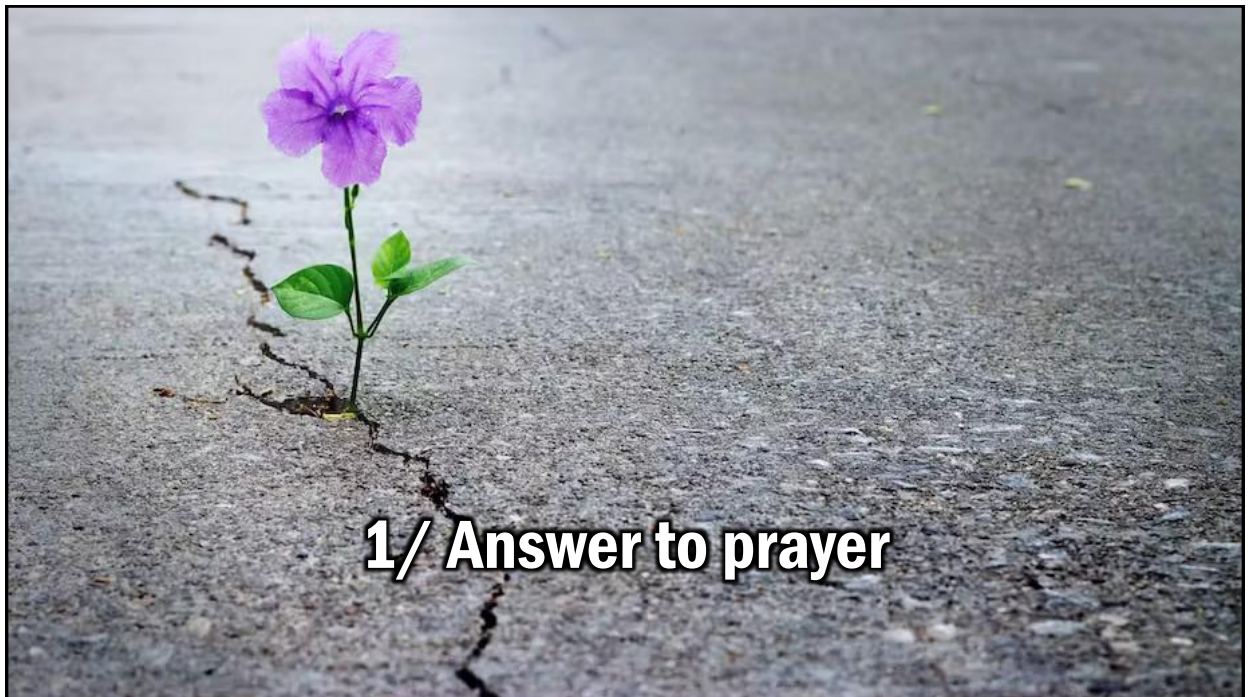
**And God will use this persecution to show his justice and to make you worthy of his Kingdom, for which you are suffering. In his justice he will pay back those who persecute you.**

**And God will provide rest for you who are being persecuted and also for us when the Lord Jesus appears from heaven. He will come with his mighty angels, in flaming fire, bringing judgment on those who don't know God and on those who refuse to obey the Good News of our Lord Jesus.**

**They will be punished with eternal destruction, forever separated from the Lord and from his glorious power. When he comes on that day, he will receive glory from his holy people—praise from all who believe. And this includes you, for you believed what we told you about him.**

**So we keep on praying for you, asking our God to enable you to live a life worthy of his call. May he give you the power to accomplish all the good things your faith prompts you to do.**

**Then the name of our Lord Jesus will be honoured because of the way you live, and you will be honoured along with him. This is all made possible because of the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.**



**1/ Answer to prayer**

# PROVIDENCE & PRAYER



How Does God Work in the World?



TERRANCE  
TIESSEN

**What do you believe  
about prayer –  
specifically?**

**"Lord, please give me a parking space!"**

**Does prayer change God's mind or only our feelings?**

**Does God do things because we ask Him to?**

**Do we ask God because He prompts us to do so?**

**If He has given us free will, can He always guarantee that things will happen as He intends or wishes?**



**If God has already decided how things will turn out, what use is it to pray?**

### **1 Thessalonians 1:3**

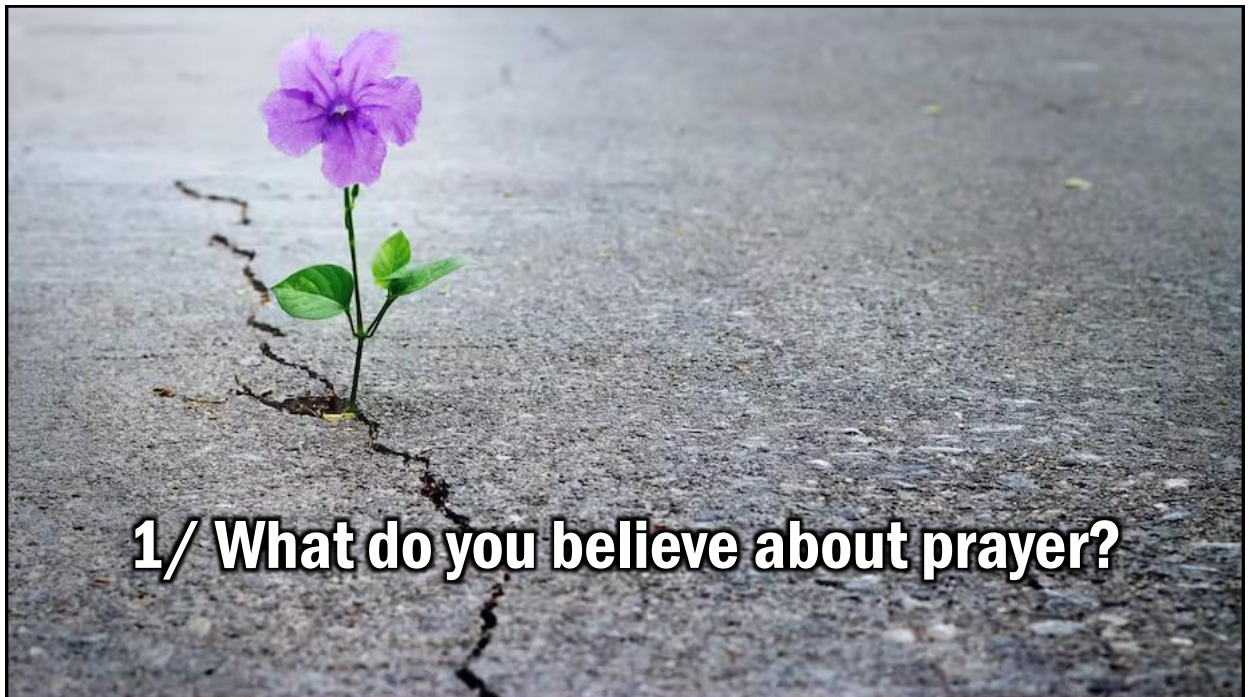
**We remember before our God and Father your work produced by **faith**, your labour prompted by **love**, and your **endurance** inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.**

## 2 Thessalonians 1:3-4

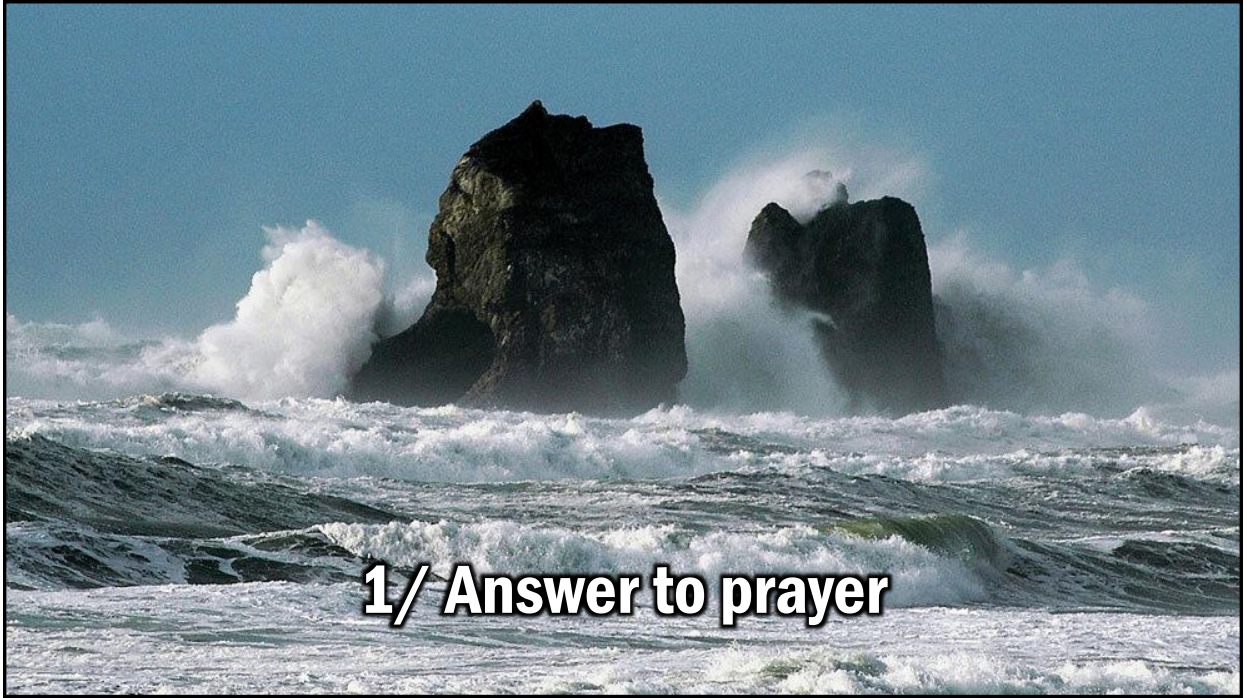
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**1/ What do you believe about prayer?**







**2/ Persecution**



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**God will use this persecution to show His justice and to make you worthy of His Kingdom, for which you are suffering. In His justice He will pay back those who persecute you.**

**3/ Worthy**



**Asaph**

“He who gathers,” from the Hebrew.

*Origin:* Hebrew

*Pronunciation:* a-sa-ph

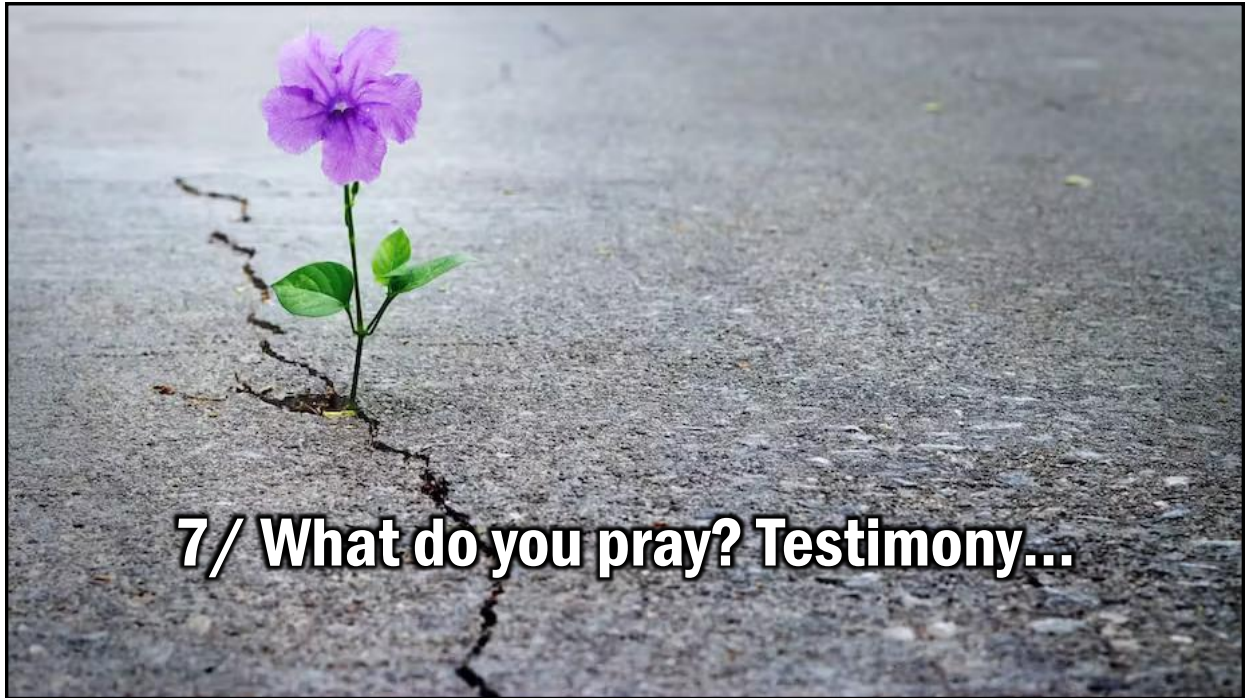
**4/ Justice**

**And God will provide rest for you who are being persecuted and also for us when the Lord Jesus appears from heaven.**

## **5/ Hope**



WHY DOESN'T GOD HEAL  
**EVERYONE?**



## **7/ What do you pray? Testimony...**

**So we keep on praying for you, asking our God to enable you to live a life worthy of his call. May he give you the power to accomplish all the good things your faith prompts you to do. Then the name of our Lord Jesus will be honoured because of the way you live, and you will be honoured along with him. This is all made possible because of the grace of our God and Lord, Jesus Christ.**



**May we be a Church that keeps on praying for God to enable us to live a life worthy of His call.**

**May He give us the power to accomplish all the good things our faith prompts us to do.**

**May the name of Jesus be honoured by the way we live, and may we be honoured with him.**

**We continually pray this with confidence, because of the grace of our God and Lord, Jesus Christ.**

**Amen**