

# *1-2 Thessalonians: Living the Future Now*

## **“Commendation and Intercession”**

2 Thessalonians 1:1-12

*In his first letter to this church, Paul expressed unrestrained enthusiasm for church life in Thessalonica. A second letter follows quickly after the first one because a problem surfaces regarding daily work ethic of some in light of the coming return of Jesus. Paul begins this new letter with a reminder of his pride in them and his specific prayers offered for them.*

### **1. General Commendations**

- **Reputation for Endurance (vv.1-4)**
- **Revelation of Justice (vv.5-9)**
- **Reward for Confidence (v.10)**

### **2. Specific Intercessions**

- **God’s Evaluation (v.11a)**
- **God’s Power (v.11b)**
- **God’s Glory (v.12a)**
- **God’s Grace (v.12b)**