Thanksgiving for Salvation and its Fruits 2 Thessalonians 2:13-17

- I. Introduction
- II. <u>You Have Been Chosen and Called by the Triune God for Salvation.</u> v. 13-14
 - A. Your election was before the foundation of the world. v. 13 (1 Thess. 1:4, Eph. 1:4, 1 Cor. 2:7, Deut. 7:6-8, Jn. 15:16, Rom. 9:10-16)
 - B. You were effectually called by the Spirit upon the hearing of the Gospel. vv. 13b-14a (Rom. 10:14, 17, Rom. 8:30, Jn. 1:12-13, Eph. 2:8, Jn. 14:6, Acts 4:12)
 - C. The purpose of your election is that you would be glorified with Christ. v. 14b (1 Thess. 5:9, Rom. 8:30)
- III. Hold Tenaciously to the Truth. v. 15
 - A. The evidence of our election is obedience to His revealed will. v. 15 (1 Thess. 3:8, 1 Cor. 16:13)
 - B. Hold fast to the Word of God! v. 15 (Matth. 15:1-9, 1 Cor. 11:2, 1 Cor. 11:23)
 - C. The Lord will cause you to persevere in the faith v. 15b (Jude 1:3)
- IV.Are You Thankful for the Comfort and Hope You Have from God?
vv. 16-17
 - A. You have received eternal comfort and good hope. v. 16 (1 Thess. 5:21, Jn. 3:16, 2 Cor. 1:3, Heb. 6:19)
 - B. The result of eternal comfort and hope is gratitude. v. 17 (1 Jn. 3:18)
- V. Concluding Applications