OUTLINE OF 2 THESSALONIANS

1A PAUL GIVES ENCOURAGEMENT TO THE THESSALONIANS chap 1

1B Thanksgiving for their growth and perseverance chap 1:1-5

2B Assurance regarding those who persecute them chap 1:6-10

3B Prayer for their continued faithfulness chap 1:11-12

2A PAUL GIVES INSTRUCTION TO THE THESSALONIANS chap 2

1B The events that precede the second coming of Christ chap 2:1-5

2B The restraint that delays the appearance of the man of sin chap 2:6-7

3B The appearance and deception of the man of sin chap 2:8-12

4B The deliverance of the elect from deception chap 2:13-17

3A PAUL GIVES EXHORTATION TO THE THESSALONIANS chap 3

1B Regarding prayer and patience chap 3:1-5

2B Regarding disorderly brethren chap 3:6-15

3B Concluding blessing chap 3:16-18

THEME: Christ will destroy both wicked people and the Wicked One at His Second Coming.

Key verse: 2 Thessalonians 1:6 Seeing *it is* a righteous thing with God to recompense tribulation to them that trouble you.