

"Affliction for the Glory of God" 2 Thessalonians 1:1-12

I.	Paul is	writing again with Timothy and Silvanus (1:1-2).
	a.	Paul's letter finds the Thessalonians
		in and loving one another (1:3).
	b.	Paul signals a major subject of his letter—
		in the midst of
		persecution and affliction (1:4).
2 Corinthians 7:13-16; 1 Thessalonians 1:5-6; 1 Thessalonians 3:3-4		
II. Being granted to suffer in Christ's name and for His		
	kir	gdom is a mark of honor in that God has judged you
		(1:5).
	a.	God's glory is at stake in your suffering as their
		planned punishment is intended to be, at least in
		part, a of the suffering they
		cause to believers (1:6-10).
Philippians 1:28-30; 2 Corinthians 2:14-16; Romans 12:19-21; Revelation 6:9-11		
	b.	The prayer for worthiness in believers is a prayer
		for and in the
		midst of suffering (1:11-12).
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