

2 Thessalonians 3

King James Version (KJV)

3 Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified, even as it is with you: (They glorified the Word, by knowing it and teaching it to others) (Free was added by the translators; course- in the Greek means a good course, or a free, unhindered course – free speech)

²And that we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men: for all men have not faith. (Don't cast your pearls before swine)

³But the Lord is faithful, who shall stablish you, and keep you from evil. John-17:15-20 (Jesus prayed for the Elect. You can count on Him)

⁴And we have confidence in the Lord touching you, that ye both do and will do the things which we command you.

⁵And the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God, and into the patient waiting for Christ. (Antichrist comes first. Wait for the true Messiah to return at the 7th Trump)

⁶Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which he received of us. (Walk away from fake Christians who see the scriptures as a way to make money and to glorify themselves as "prophets". They re-interpret God's Word as a new approach and market it to people for money and for status. God will judge them harshly, in due time)

⁷For yourselves know how ye ought to follow us: for we behaved not ourselves disorderly among you; (Paul set the example for us)

⁸Neither did we eat any man's bread for nought; but wrought with labour and travail night and day, that we might not be chargeable to any of you: (Paul was a tent maker. Not a Bible thumper, begging for donations. He was there to teach God's Word, not to raise money. His tent business took care of his expenses)

⁹Not because we have not power, but to make ourselves an ensample unto you to follow us. (Teach God's Word. That's your mission. Don't beg for money. God's Word is free to all who want to hear it)

(A preacher has the right to collect a modest salary if he works as a preacher full time. When you see a preacher who gets rich from preaching, you're looking at a crook. Walk away. God won't bless his ministry)

¹⁰For even when we were with you, this we commanded you, that if any would not work, neither should he eat. (Don't feed a lazy person. When he gets hungry enough, he'll work)

¹¹For we hear that there are some which walk among you disorderly, working not at all, but are busybodies. (They only produce discord in the group. They are not contributing anything good. They are in the group to get some money and/or attention. Get rid of them)

¹²Now them that are such we command and exhort by our Lord Jesus Christ, that with quietness they work, and eat their own bread. (Earn a living and enjoy the fruits of your labor)

¹³But ye, brethren, be not weary in well doing. (Always do what's right; not what's politically correct)

¹⁴And if any man obey not our word by this epistle, note that man, and have no company with him, that he may be ashamed. (Get rid of those people. Maybe they'll smarten up and start doing right. That's called tough love) Romans-12:18

¹⁵Yet count him not as an enemy, but admonish him as a brother. (admonish = to warn or correct someone)

¹⁶Now the Lord of peace himself give you peace always by all means. The Lord be with you all. (God's Word and blessings give us peace of mind)

¹⁷The salutation of Paul with mine own hand, which is the token in every epistle: so I write.

¹⁸The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.

