2 Thessalonians 2 King James Version (KJV)

(On the return of Jesus Christ Reference – Daniel-11 (The whole chapter Paul realized that his first letter confused people about the return of Christ. He wrote this letter to explain that Jesus only returns after the antichrist arrives and deceives the whole world into worshipping him as god)

2 Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto him, (This is about Christ returning and our getting together with Him – at the 7th trump)

²That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, <u>nor by letter as from us</u>, as that the day of Christ is at hand. (People misunderstood 1Thessalonians as to when Jesus will return)

³Let no man <u>deceive</u> you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a <u>falling away</u> first, and that man of sin be revealed, <u>the son of perdition</u>; (deceive = expatio < Greek >= wholly seduced) (falling away = apostasy - when people give up their belief in an instant) (the son of perdition = Satan was sentenced to death by God) Revelation-9, Ezekial-28:18-19

(Jesus will only return after all these things are done. At that time we are all changed into our spiritual bodies. There won't be any flesh left alive. That's how we can be sure we're with the true Messiah. Anyone who claims to be Messiah while we're still in flesh bodies is a fake)

⁴Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God. (Antichrist will be telling people that he has come to rapture them away. All they have to do is worship him) see Isaiah-14:12-16

⁵Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things? Mark-13, Matthew-24

⁶And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time. (This is Satan, revealed as the false Christ. The Elect, with God's help, will have a big part in exposing this fake)

⁷For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way. (he – antichrist) (letteth = to hold fast – better translation) (Still talking about Satan, being held by Michael) See Revelation-12:6-9, Revelation-13:14->on, Ezekiel-13

(Michael is holding Satan, until the end, when he will cast him down to earth as antichrist. God will use Satan to test peoples' faith. Those who fall for his lies will be in trouble)

- ⁸ And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming: (Jesus returns at the 7th trump, Satan comes at the 6th)
- ⁹Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, (Satan as antichrist performs miracles in the sight of men. He deceives the whole world)
- ¹⁰And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. (They believed and worshipped antichrist because they never read the Word of God. They listened to lying preachers all their lives)
- "And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: (Those who wish to be deceived by antichrist will be. God will allow it because that's what they want. They never studied the Word of God. Many Christians just sat in church and believed some preacher who didn't know what he was talking about) see Isaiah-29:9-15
- ¹²That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness. (They won't make the first resurrection. They will have to go through the Millennium, be taught and then be tested again. If they fail the second time, they die. Hell is death of the soul)

- ¹³ But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, <u>because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation</u> through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth: (These are the Elect. They were chosen in the First Age because they sided with God, against Satan's rebellion <Catabole>)
- ¹⁴Whereunto he called you by our gospel, to the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. (Paul was proud of these people because he taught them and they ran with it and stayed faithful to God)
- ¹⁶Therefore, brethren, stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught, whether by word, or our epistle. (Stay true to your faith)
- ¹⁶Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting <u>consolation</u> and good hope through grace, (consolation= comfort) (The Father, the Son, and the Comforter <Holy Spirit>)
- ¹⁷Comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work.