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Word Biblical Commentary Volume 45, 1 & 2 Thessalonians (Bruce), by F.F. Bruce, published in 1982 by Zondervan, Grand Rapids, MI.

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New International Commentary on the New Testament: The First and Second Letters to the Thessalonians (Fee), by Gordon D. Fee, published in 2009 by William B. Eerdmans.

Scripture Portion (SP), published in 2022 by National Youth Ministries, Springfield, MO.

Question number 1 for 30 points. Application question.

What is unique about 1 Thessalonians?

1 Thes 1 First Thessalonians was one of the earliest books written in the New Testament. It discusses the return of Jesus and the life of an enthusiastic, yet sometimes immature church. FBSE, 1664

Question number 2 for 20 points. Scripture text application question.

What is significant about Paul wishing the Thessalonians both, quote, “grace and peace”?

1 Thes 1:1 “Grace” was the normal Greek greeting, and “peace” was the normal Jewish greeting. Bruce, 8

Question number 3 for 20 points. Scripture text application question.

What does Paul mean by the statement, quote, “The Holy Spirit gave you full assurance that what we said was true”?

1 Thes 1:5 The Holy Spirit worked in the believers’ hearts to confirm Paul’s message. FBSE, 1665

Question number 4 for 20 points. Application question.

How can pleasing people conflict with pleasing God?

1 Thes 2:4 Pleasing people can cause us to compromise our integrity in order to gain their approval. FBSE, 1666

Question number 5 for 20 points. Scripture text application question.

What does Paul mean by the statement, “Night and day we toiled to earn a living so that we would not be a burden to any of you”?

1 Thes 2:9 Other traveling ministers sometimes demanded free food and lodging, but Paul didn’t want to give any hindrance to his ministry. Bruce, 35

Question number 6 for 20 points. Statement and application question.

Multiple times, Paul tried to come to Thessalonica, but Satan prevented him. Can Satan overcome God’s will?

1 Thes 2:18 No, although God permits Satan to fight against Christians, Satan is still subject to God’s ultimate and absolute authority. FBSE, 1667

Question number 7 for 10 points. Application question.

What was Paul’s primary concern for the Thessalonians?

1 Thes 3:5 Their faith overcoming Satan’s activity. FBSE, 1667

Question number 8 for 20 points. 2-part application question.

What goal did Paul give the Thessalonians, and why?

1 Thes 4:11 To become busy with their own work, so they wouldn’t be needlessly dependent on others. Fee, 163

Question number 9 for 20 points. Application question.

What is the Rapture?

1 Thes 4:16 When Jesus [Christ] returns to take His Church—the believers both dead and living—out of this world JBQ #447

Question number 10 for 20 points. Application question.

How is Christian grief different for believers who die?

1 Thes 4:13 When believers in Christ die, other Christians know they will see them again and that they will be raised from the dead when Jesus returns. FBSE, 1669

Question number 11 for 20 points. Application essence question.

Describe the Second Coming of Jesus.

1 Thes 4:16 For the Lord himself will come down from heaven with a commanding shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet call of God. First, the believers who have died will rise from their graves. SP, 1 Thes 4:16

Question number 12 for 10 points. Application question.

Is it possible to determine the exact time when Jesus will return?

1 Thes 5:2 No, God has made it impossible to determine beforehand. FBSE, 1671

Question number 13 for 10 points. Application question.

How can Christians prepare for the Second Coming of Jesus?

1 Thes 5:8 Remain spiritually awake and alert. FBSE, 1671

Question number 14 for 20 points. Application quotation question.

Do Christians need to fear the wrath of God that will be poured in the last days?

1 Thes 5:9 For God chose to save us through our Lord Jesus Christ, not to pour out his anger on us. SP, 1 Thes 5:9

Question number 15 for 20 points. Statement and application question.

Paul was a powerful man of God and an apostle. Why did he ask the church to pray for him?

1 Thes 5:25 Even the godliest people need others to pray for them. Fee, 232

Question number 16 for 10 points. Application question.

Why did Paul instruct the Thessalonians to greet each other with a sacred kiss?

1 Thes 5:26 In that society, it was a symbol of unity and peace. Bruce, 134

Question number 17 for 20 points. Application question.

What is unique about 2 Thessalonians?

2 Thes 1 Second Thessalonians was one of the earliest New Testament books to be written, and it includes specific teaching about the end times. FBSE, 1674

Question number 18 for 20 points. Scripture text application question.

How does God make us, quote, "worthy of his Kingdom"?

2 Thes 1:5 God uses difficult circumstances to draw us to Him, demonstrate His power in our lives, and develop our spiritual strength. FBSE, 1675

Question number 19 for 10 points. Application question.

What is another name for the man of lawlessness?

2 Thes 2:3 The antichrist FBSE, 1677

Question number 20 for 20 points. Application question.

Does God deceive people?

2 Thes 2:11 No, but when people reject God, their hearts eventually harden, and they are handed over to delusion. FBSE, 1680

Question number 21 for 20 points. Application question.

Why should believers have a good work ethic?

2 Thes 3:10 Part of becoming like Christ involves honoring the Lord in how we work. FBSE, 1681

Question number 22 for 20 points. Scripture text application question.

What does Paul mean by the statement, quote, "Here is my greeting in my own handwriting— Paul"?

2 Thes 3:17 Somebody else wrote down most of the letter, as Paul dictated it. Paul wrote this specific part himself, to verify that the letter actually came from him. Bruce, 216

Question number 23 for 20 points. Application question.

What is unique about 1 Timothy?

1 Tim 1 Paul addressed First Timothy directly to his spiritual son Timothy, instead of a church. It is one of the last books that Paul wrote. FBSE, 1683

Question number 24 for 20 points. Application question.

Describe Paul's relationship with Timothy.

1 Tim 1:2 Timothy was one of Paul's closest disciples. Paul brought him on many of his journeys and mentored Timothy as a young minister. FBSE, 1683

Question number 25 for 10 points. Application question.

What was God's purpose for the Law of Moses?

1 Tim 1:8 To show how to live as God's People. FBSE, 1206

Question number 26 for 10 points. Application question.

What does "intercession" mean?

1 Tim 2:1 To pray to God for someone else JBQ #390

Question number 27 for 20 points. Statement and application question.

In 1 Timothy, Paul quotes three trustworthy sayings. What is a likely origin for these sayings?

1 Tim 3:1 Commonly shared sayings in the early church to teach about the Good News. Mounce, 48-49

Question number 28 for 20 points. Application question.

Why must church leaders be above reproach?

1 Tim 3:2 To serve as good examples and live free from legitimate criticism. FBSE, 1687

Question number 29 for 10 points. Application question.

What is a possible understanding of the devil's trap?

1 Tim 3:7 A sin trap that Satan sets for the church leader. Mounce, 184

Question number 30 for 30 points. Application quotation question.

How can younger Christians be an example to older Christians?

1 Tim 4:12 Don't let anyone think less of you because you are young. Be an example to all believers in what you say, in the way you live, in your love, your faith, and your purity. SP, 1 Tim 4:12

Question number 31 for 20 points. Application question.

How may a Christian share in the sins of others?

1 Tim 5:22 By failing to maintain a personal standard of holiness and allowing immature Christians to influence them to do wrong things. FBSE, 1694

Question number 32 for 10 points. Application question.

What did Paul tell Timothy was great wealth?

1 Tim 6:6 True godliness with contentment is great wealth. JBQ #384

Question number 33 for 20 points. Application question.

Why is the love of money the root of all kinds of evil?

1 Tim 6:10 The love of money leads to self-centeredness and away from the love of God. FBSE, 1351

Question number 34 for 10 points. Application question.

How can Christians live in such a way that no one finds fault with them?

1 Tim 6:14 Allow no defilement in their principles or their life. Mounce, 360

Question number 35 for 10 points. Scripture text application question.

How can Christians store up treasures as a quote, "good foundation for the future"?

1 Tim 6:19 By using their resources for God's purposes. FBSE, 1696

Question number 36 for 20 points. Application question.

What are some ways that godless and foolish discussions can lead Christians away from their faith?

1 Tim 6:20 Such discussions have nothing to do with God and become distractions from the Good News. Mounce, 371

Question number 37 for 30 points. Application question.

What is unique about 2 Timothy?

2 Tim 1 Second Timothy is the last letter that Paul wrote, before Emperor Nero executed him. Paul urged Timothy to accept suffering for Christ's sake and to hold to the truth. FBSE, 1698

Question number 38 for 10 points. Application question.

How can Christians overcome fear?

2 Tim 1:7 Focus on God's strength, not our weakness. FBSE, 1699

Question number 39 for 30 points. Application question.

What do soldiers, athletes, and farmers teach us about Christian life?

2 Tim 2:3 Like soldiers, face fierce opposition.
Like athletes, impose strict self-discipline.
Like farmers, work hard to plant for a spiritual harvest. FBSE, 1700

Question number 40 for 20 points. Application question.

What is the Good News?

2 Tim 2:8 Jesus died on the cross for our sins and rose from the grave, so we can also join Him in resurrection if we endure to the end. FBSE, 1700

Question number 41 for 10 points. Application question.

Why shouldn't Christians engage in gossip?

2 Tim 2:16 Gossip causes its listeners to move away from God. Mounce, 526

Question number 42 for 20 points. Application question.

How does keeping ourselves pure affect our readiness for God to use us?

2 Tim 2:20 Purity keeps us set apart for God and what He desires. FBSE, 1702

Question number 43 for 30 points. Application quotation question.

What are some ways Christians can strive for purity?

2 Tim 2:22 Run from anything that stimulates youthful lusts. Instead, pursue righteous living, faithfulness, love, and peace. Enjoy the companionship of those who call on the Lord with pure hearts. SP, 2 Tim 2:22

Question number 44 for 20 points. Application question.

What distinguishes real faith from counterfeit faith?

2 Tim 3:8 Real faith desires God's Word. Counterfeit faith opposes or lacks interest in the core truths of God's Word. FBSE, 1703

Question number 45 for 20 points. Application question.

What do we mean when we say the Bible is our authoritative rule of faith and conduct?

2 Tim 3:15 The Bible has the right to command us in what we believe and what we do. JBQ #292

Question number 46 for 20 points. Application question.

What do we mean when we say the Bible is verbally inspired?

2 Tim 3:16 God inspired each word of the Bible, not just the thoughts or ideas. JBQ #291

Question number 47 for 20 points. Application question.

At the end of his life, what was Paul's greatest concern?

2 Tim 4:7 That he held firmly to his faith, despite severe persecution and difficulties. FBSE, 1707

Question number 48 for 20 points. Application question.

What is unique about Titus?

Titus 1 Paul wrote to Titus near the end of his life. Titus was a pastor on Crete who ministered within an immoral society. FBSE, 1710

Question number 49 for 20 points. Application question.

Describe Paul's relationship with Titus.

Titus 1 Paul led Titus to the Lord. He disciplined Titus and brought him on many of his missionary journeys. FBSE, 1709

Question number 50 for 20 points. Application question.

What was Titus's role on Crete?

Titus 1:5 Titus oversaw several churches on Crete, mentoring pastors and raising up other church leaders. FBSE, 1709-10

Question number 51 for 10 points. Application question.

How should Christians live in the world?

Titus 2:12 Focused on God's will, anticipating Jesus's return. FBSE, 1713

Question number 52 for 20 points. Statement and application question.

Paul instructed Titus to submit to the government. Is there ever an acceptable reason for Christians to break the law?

Titus 3:1 Christians should always obey the law unless it violates the clear command of the Bible. FBSE, 1713

Question number 53 for 20 points. Application question.

What part does the Holy Spirit have in our salvation?

Titus 3:5 The Holy Spirit convicts of sin and makes the repentant sinner a new person. JBQ #403

Question number 54 for 10 points. Application question.

Why is Christian unity important?

Titus 3:10 Unity strengthens the church. Division breaks up the church. FBSE, 1714

Question number 55 for 30 points. Application question.

What is unique about 1 John?

1 John 1 John, son of Zebedee—the disciple whom Jesus loved—wrote First John. He wanted to expose false teaching and encourage the Christians to pursue the love of God. FBSE, 1786-87

Question number 56 for 20 points. Application question.

Is it possible to stop being a Christian?

1 John 1:6 Yes, we must continue in faith and God's grace to remain God's children. JBQ #520

Question number 57 for 20 points. Application quotation question.

According to the First Epistle of John, what should Christians do if they sin?

1 John 1:9 But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness. JBQ #546

Question number 58 for 10 points. Application question.

What is an advocate?

1 John 2:1 Someone speaks in court on behalf of a defendant. FBSE, 1790

Question number 59 for 20 points. Application question.

How is Christian love different from worldly love?

1 John 2:4 Christian love always acts in a selfless and God-honoring way. Worldly love is based on selfishness and leads to corruption. FBSE, 1792

Question number 60 for 20 points. Application question. 3-part answer.

According to First John, what are the three common temptations?

- 1 John 2:16 Craving for physical pleasure
Craving for everything we see
Pride [in our achievements and possessions] JBQ #395

Question number 61 for 10 points. Application question.

What does the word antichrist mean?

- 1 John 2:18 Against Christ FBSE, 1791

Question number 62 for 20 points. Application question.

What is sin?

- 1 John 3:4 Sin is refusing to do God's will as revealed by His Word and His Spirit.
JBQ #275

Question number 63 for 20 points. Scripture text application question.

What does John mean by the statement, quote, "Those who have been born into God's family do not make a practice of sinning"?

- 1 John 3:9 God's children have the Holy Spirit, who cannot remain within someone who deliberately and habitually keeps on sinning. FBSE, 1795

Question number 64 for 20 points. Application question. 3-part answer.

What are some evidences that a person is truly a Christian?

- 1 John 3:14 Love for other Christians
Affirmation of the [Holy] Spirit
Bearing spiritual fruit JBQ #519

Question number 65 for 20 points. Application question.

How can Christians discern false teaching from true teaching?

- 1 John 4:2 True teaching is based on the authority of the Bible. It accepts what the Bible says, especially about who Jesus is. False teaching strays from the Bible.
FBSE, 1797

Question number 66 for 20 points. Application question.

Why can't evil powers control a Christian?

- 1 John 4:4 Because the [Holy] Spirit who lives in you is greater than the spirit who lives in the world
JBQ #467

Question number 67 for 10 points. Application question.

What does it mean to love God?

- 1 John 5:3 Christians demonstrate their love for God by obeying Him. FBSE, 1798

Question number 68 for 20 points. 2-part application question.

What is eternal life, and when does it begin?

- 1 John 5:13 Eternal life is a new quality of life that begins when someone knows God.
FBSE, 1408

Question number 69 for 20 points. Application question.

What is unique about 2 John?

2 John 1 Second John is the shortest book in the New Testament. It warns against false teaching and the antichrist spirit. FBSE, 1801

Question number 70 for 20 points. 2-part application question.

Who is the chosen lady, and who are her children?

2 John 1:1 The chosen lady is likely the local church, and her children are the church members. FBSE, 1803

Question number 71 for 20 points. Application question.

What is unique about 3 John?

3 John 1 Third John is a personal letter from John to his friend Gaius. FBSE, 1804

Question number 72 for 20 points. Statement and application question.

John rebuked Diotrephes for loving to be the leader. Is it wrong for Christians to seek leadership positions?

3 John 1:9 Diotrephes liked to put himself first. Christians in leadership positions should seek to serve those under them, like Jesus did. FBSE, 1806