

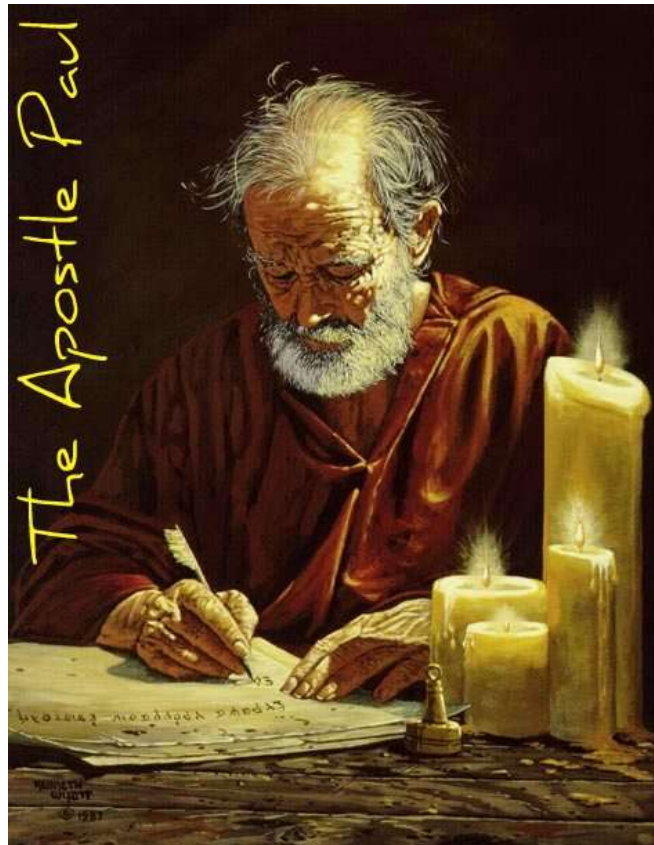
**[2 Thessalonians]
Lesson 6**

The Second Coming of Jesus

(2 Thessalonians 1:1-12)



1. Paul's Second Letter to the Thessalonians



**(2 Thess. 1:1) Paul, and Silvanus (Silas), and
Timotheus (Timothy), unto the church of the
Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus
Christ: (2) Grace unto you, and peace, from God
our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.**

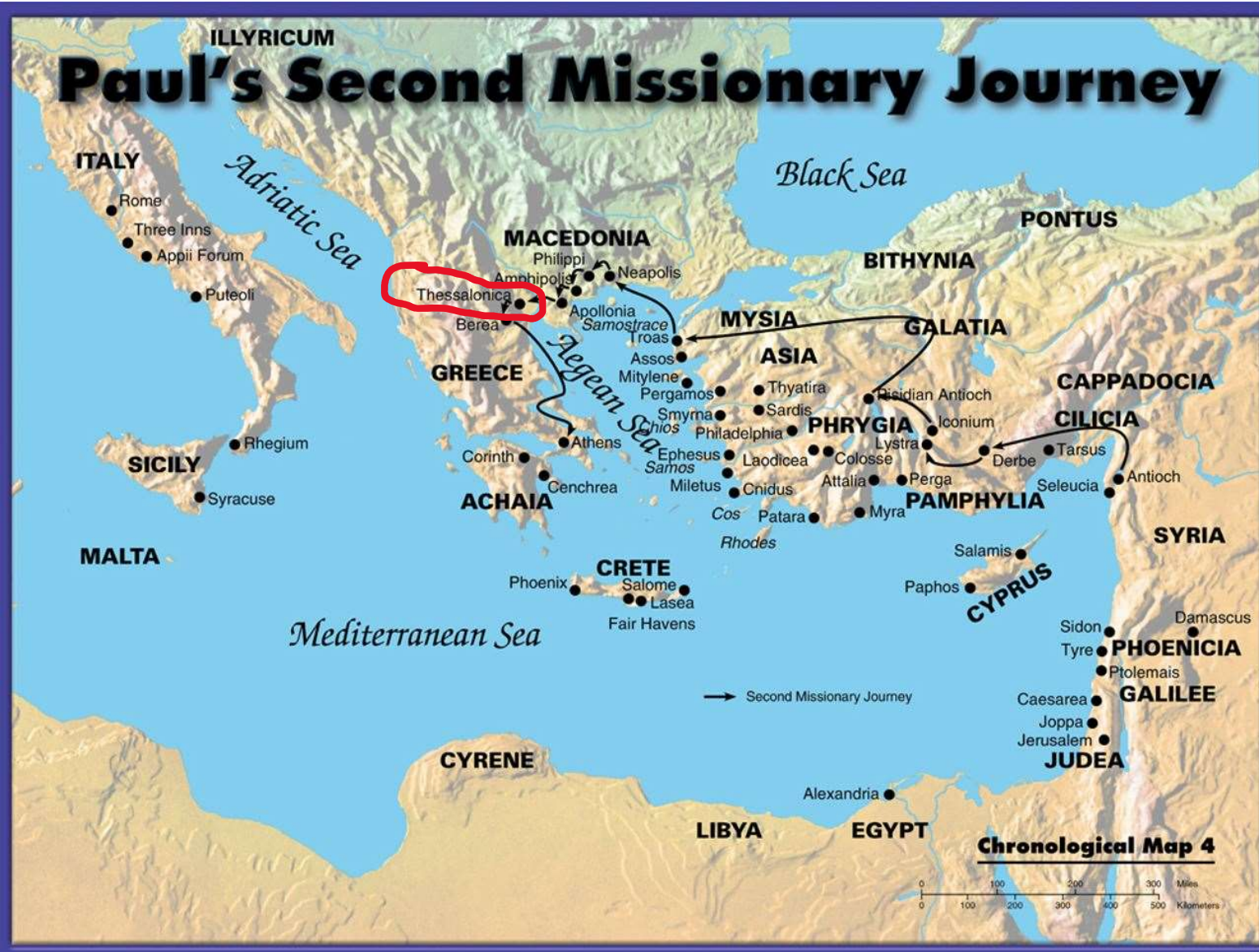
“In God the Father” = in “the Lord Jesus Christ”

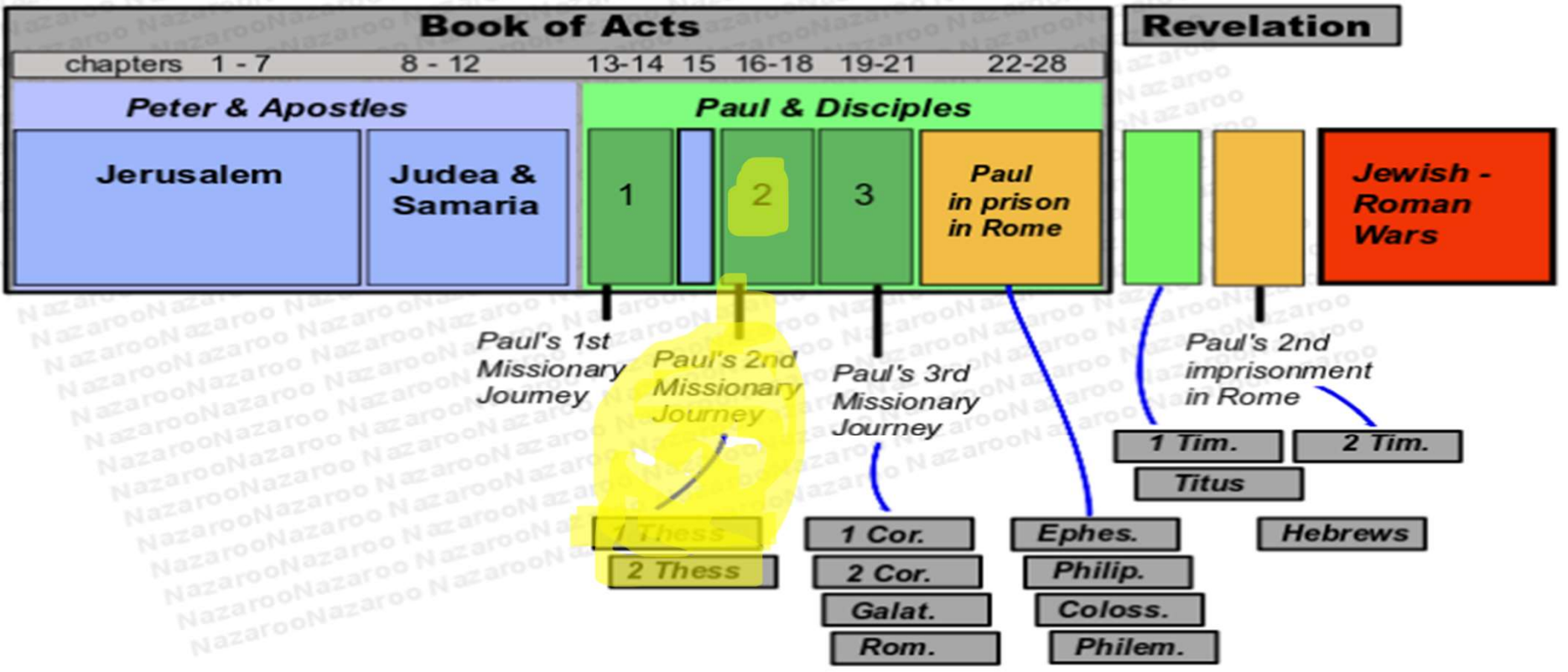
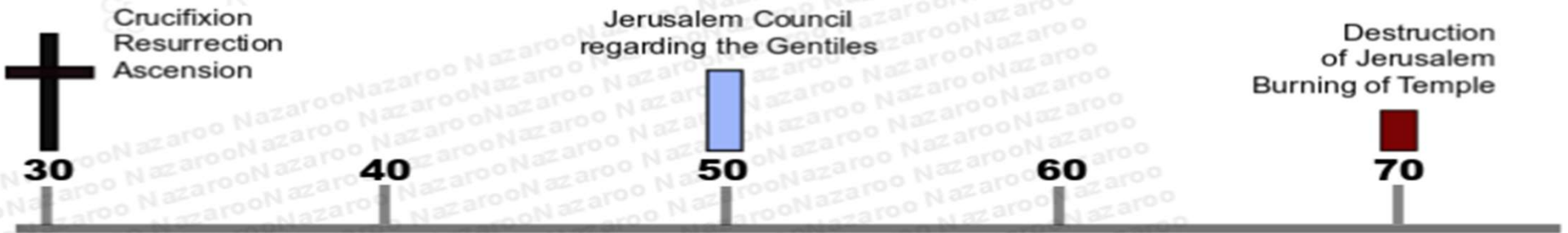
God = Trinity

**God the Father and Jesus are also in us (church)
by the Holy Spirit.**

Paul's Second Missionary Journey

[Acts 17:1-15]





2. The Church's **Fear of the Lord** Is a Great Witness



(2 Thess. 1:3) We (Paul) are bound (must) to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is meet (right), because that your faith groweth exceedingly (much), and the charity (love) of every one of you all toward each other aboundeth (grows); (4) So that we ourselves (Paul) glory (praise) in you in the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions (attacks—suffer) and tribulations (trouble) that ye endure (continue—patient):

“glory in you” = ...as parents glory in children that please them.

(2 Thess. 1:4) So that we ourselves glory in you in the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and tribulations that ye endure: (5) Which is a manifest (show) token (proof) of the righteous judgment of God, that ye may be counted worthy (accepted as good) of the kingdom of God, for which ye also suffer:

The church's decision to endure persecution for Jesus shows our faith—which proves to the world that God's "judgment" is coming. We will be saved ("counted worthy of the kingdom of God"), but the world will be condemned by God.

(Hebrews 11:7) *By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith.*

Noah's decision—"condemned the world"—obeying God and fearing God's judgment, showed Noah's faith, which proved to the world that God's judgment—"things not seen as yet"—was coming. Noah and his family was saved, and Noah became the "heir of righteousness", but the world was condemned by God.

(2 Thess. 1:6) Seeing (because) *it is a righteous thing with God to recompense* (pay) *tribulation* (trouble) *to them that trouble you;*

(Rom. 6:23) The wages (pay—recompense) of sin is death.

Jesus said, “*Blessed are the meek;
for they shall inherit the earth.*”

~Matthew 5:5

Jesus, the Righteous Judge, will judge ALL.

3. The Second Coming of Jesus



(2 Thess. 1:7) **And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed (show) from heaven with his mighty angels [Jesus Second Coming], (8) In flaming fire taking vengeance (pay—punish) on them (the world) that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:**



(2 Peter 3:10; Rev. 19:11-16) **“flaming fire taking vengeance”**
(Rev. 6:11) The eternal **“rest”** of God is **our reward**—all **trouble** will end.

(2 Thess. 1:8) *In flaming fire taking vengeance on them (the world) that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: (9) Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his (Lord Jesus') power;*

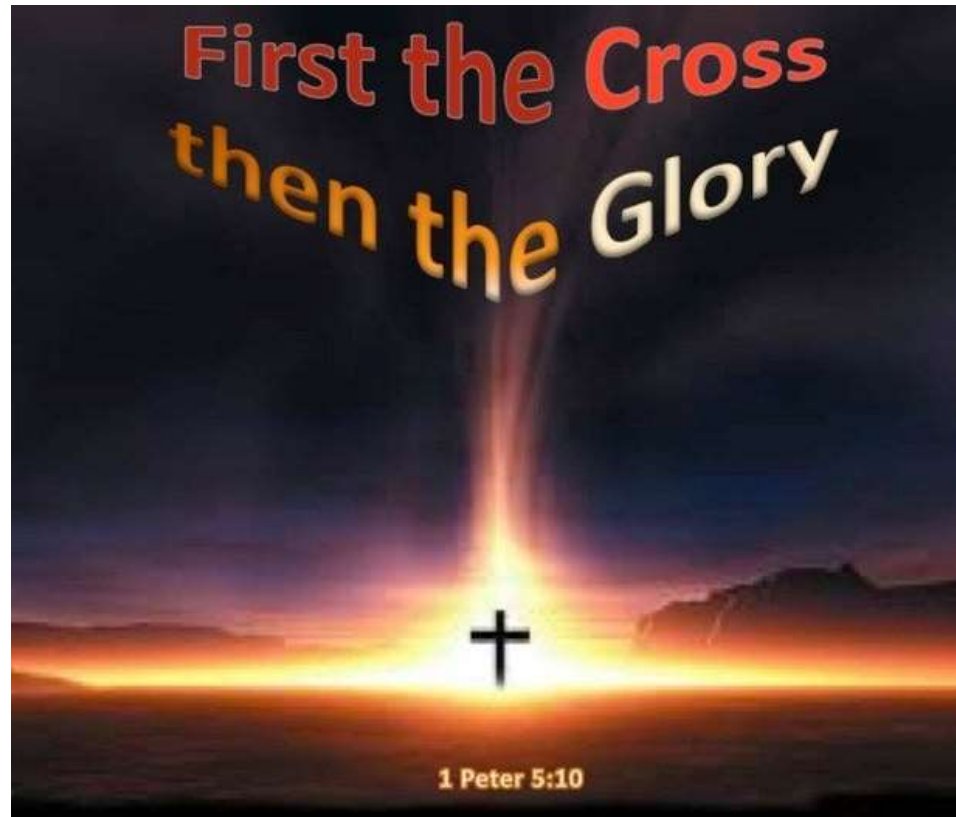
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(2 Thess. 1:9) **Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction** from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of **his** (Lord Jesus') power; (10) **When he** (Lord Jesus) shall come to be glorified in **his** (Jesus') **saints**, and to be admired **in** all them that believe (because **our** (Paul's) **testimony** (witness—Gospel) among **you** was **believed**) **in that day** (The Second Coming of Jesus).

Now and Forever our faith brings glory to Jesus.
Happy Day for **Christians**; **Sad Day** for the **World**.

4. God's Amazing Grace



(2 Thess. 1:11) Wherefore (so) also we pray always for you, that our God would count you worthy (accept as good—by our faith) of this calling, and fulfil all the good pleasure of his goodness, and the work of faith with power: (12) That the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in him (Jesus), according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

God has chosen us to be so important—how? ...That by our faith in Him we can glorify Him now and forever.