

2 Thessalonians 1:1-4

Your Faith and Love Make Us Proud

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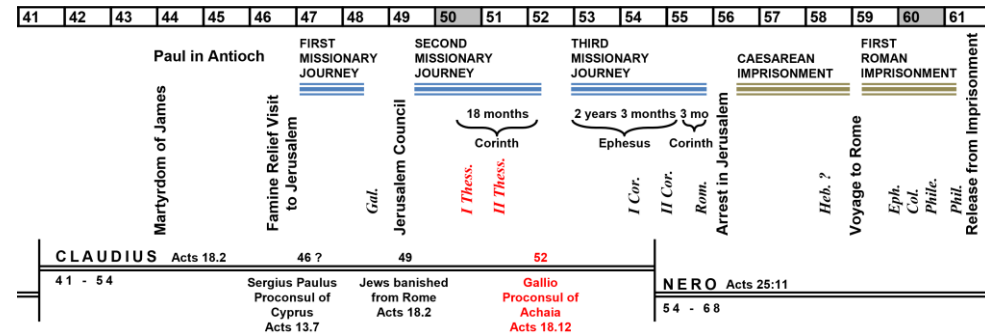
1-2 – Greetings of grace and peace

3-4 – Paul gives thanks for their increasing faith, love, and perseverance

Food for Thought

- How am I doing on _____?
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Timeline of Paul's Missionary Journeys



Paul first visited Thessalonica on his second missionary journey, in about AD 50. Having been chased out of Thessalonica and Berea, he sailed south to Athens. From Athens he sent Timothy back to check on the Thessalonian church. By the time he reached Corinth, Timothy was back with an initial report, which spurred Paul to write 1 and 2 Thessalonians, probably in late AD 51 or AD 52.

Map of Thessalonica and Corinth



▲ Paul probably sent his letter from Corinth to Thessalonica by the hand of Silas and Timothy, and they likely went by sea. The voyage from Cenchrea (Corinth's eastern sea port) to Thessalonica was about 350 miles, and probably took about a week.