

2 Thessalonians 3:1-18
Avoid the Unruly: Part 1

1-5 – Pray for God’s work in and through us

1-2 – Pray for us:

3-5 – We pray for y’all:

6-15 – Do not accept unruly behavior

Who is Paul describing?

“unruly” – disorderly, insubordinate or defiant, undisciplined, having irresponsible behavior.

They _____ apostolic teaching.
1 Thess 4:11; 2 Thess 3:10

They _____ apostolic example.
2 Thess 2:9

What is the specific/immediate issue?

What response is commanded by Paul?

What is the purpose of keeping away from such people?

Food for Thought

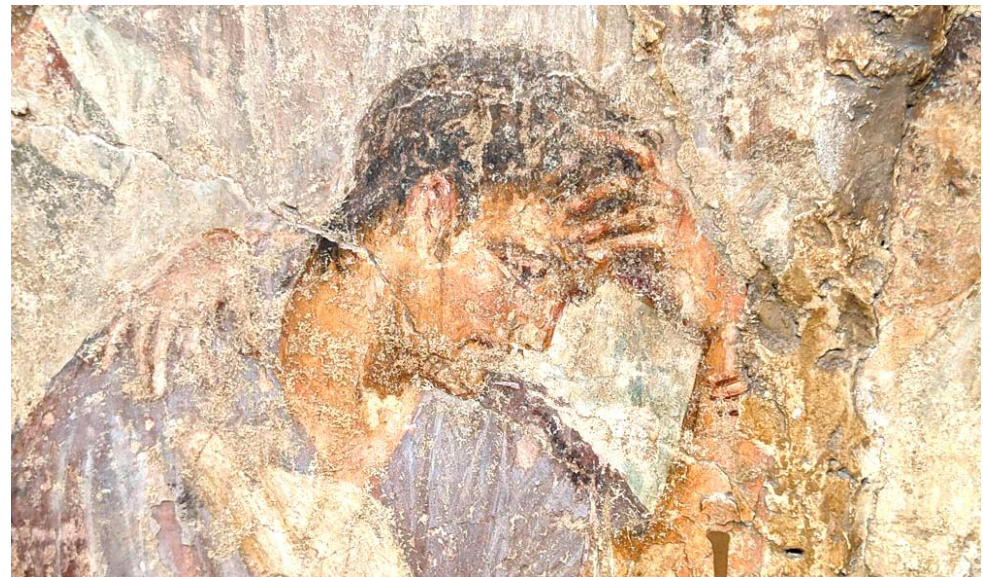
- Our prayer should focus primarily on things _____ and _____.
- We are commanded to _____ ourselves from disobedient brothers and sisters.

“Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep aloof from every brother who leads an unruly life and not according to the tradition which you received from us” (2 Thess 3:6).



▲ Fresco of a riot that took place at the amphitheater in Pompeii in AD 59.

“If anyone does not obey our instruction in this letter, take special note of that man and do not associate with him, that he may be put to shame” (2 Thess 3:14).



▲ Fresco of Admetus in shame, with his hand to his head; From Pompeii, 1st century AD.