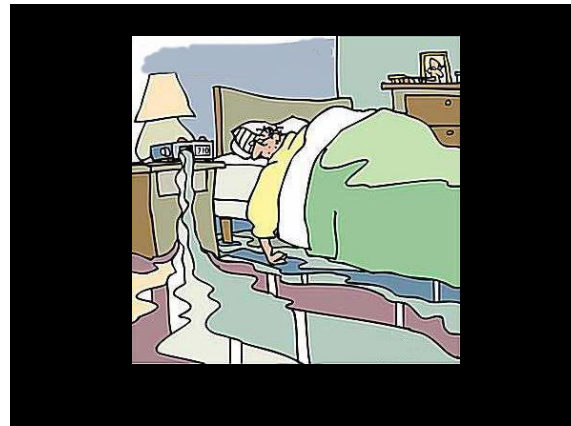


2 Thessalonians

# Standing Firm in These Last Days

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## En Theos

is Greek for "in God" and the origin of the word enthusiasm

A photograph of sunlight breaking through a layer of white clouds against a blue sky.

2 Thessalonians 1:3,4

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### 1. Growing in Faith



### Five Essentials in Faith Growing

1. Quiet Time
2. Weekly Worship
3. Small Group / Sunday School
4. Invested
5. Read

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1. Growing in Faith
2. Love Increasing

1 Corinthians 13:4-7

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices

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with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

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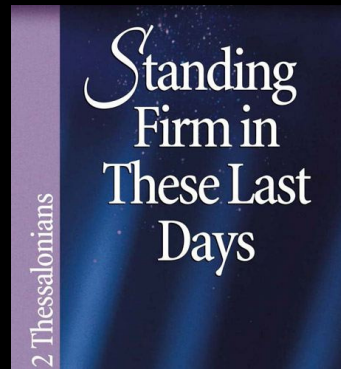
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2. Love Increasing
3. Perseverance under Persecution

## Five Fires

1. Christ – Only Way
2. Absolute Truth
3. Bible = "Metanarrative"
4. Biblical Morality
5. Ultimate Allegiance



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