

**Series "Route 66"**  
**"1 Thessalonians"**  
**Book-52**

**The Author** – The Apostle Paul 1 Thessalonians 1:1

**When Written** – Written about 50 AD, during Paul's 2nd Missionary Journey.

**Where it was Written** – From Corinth Acts 18:5

**Written To** – Thessalonians 1 Thessalonians 1:1

**Background** - Acts 17:1-15, Acts 16:9-10

**Purpose** –

**Theme** – 1 Thessalonians – "The Authentic Christian"

1:10—The Return of Jesus Christ means Salvation and Assurance:

2:19-20— The Return of Jesus Christ means Soul-Winning and Service:

3:11-13— The Return of Jesus Christ means Stability in Christian Living:

4:13-18— The Return of Jesus Christ means Strength in Sorrow:

5:23-24— The Return of Jesus Christ means Sanctification of Life:

**Key Words** – Lord - 25 X "brethren" or "brother" is used 19X in the first letter and 9X in the second, Comfort - 6 X, Love - 6 X

**Key Chapter** – 1 Thessalonians 4

**Key Passage** – 1 Thessalonians 5:9-10

## **Outline –**

1. 1 Thessalonians 1 Paul Remembers the Church:
2. 1 Thessalonians 2 Paul Reminds the Church:
3. 1 Thessalonians 3 Paul Responds to the Church:
4. 1 Thessalonians 4 Paul Rejoices with the Church:
5. 1 Thessalonians 5 Paul Readies the Church:

### **1. 1 Thessalonians 1 Paul Remembers the Church:**

1 Thessalonians 1:1-4 Their Foundation was Solid:

1 Corinthians 13:13

1 Thessalonians 1:5 Church was Spiritual:

Romans 1:16

Power – The Greek word Dunamis – Get our English Dynamite, Dynamic. Speaks of a miraculous, supernatural power.

1 Thessalonians 1:6 Church was Steadfast:

Psalms 34:19

1 Thessalonians 1:7-8 Church Shared:

Sounded forth literally “to sound out as a trumpet or thunder”  
They were vocal about their faith.

1 Thessalonians 1:9-10 Church was Secure:

1. You Turned: and how you turned to God from idols  
Turned –

2. To Serve: to serve -

3. To Wait: and to wait for His Son

**2. 1 Thessalonians 2 Paul Reminds the Church:**

1 Thessalonians 2:1-2 Paul's Entrance:

1 Thessalonians 2:3-6 Paul's Exhortation:

Seeking to please God: so we speak, not as pleasing men but  
God,

1 Thessalonians 2:7-8 Paul's Affection:

1 Thessalonians 2:9 Paul's Endurance:

1 Thessalonians 2:10 Paul's Example:

1 Thessalonians 2:11-12 Paul's Expectation:

1 Thessalonians 2:13-16 Paul's Excitement:

1 Thessalonians 2:17-18 Paul's Endeavor:

Thwarted "to cut into, to impede one's course by cutting off his  
way" Idea of placing a roadblock.

1 Thessalonians 2:19-20 Paul's Incentive:

**3. 1 Thessalonians 3 Paul Responds to the Church:**

1 Thessalonians 3:1-5 Paul Sends Them a Helper:

1 Thessalonians 3:6-8 Paul Writes Them a Letter:

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 Paul Prays for Them:

**4. 1 Thessalonians 4 Paul Rejoices with the Church:**

1 Thessalonians 4:1-8 Walk in Holiness:

1 Thessalonians 4:9-10 Walk in Harmony:

1 Thessalonians 4:11-12 Walk in Honesty:

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Walk in Hope:

1 Thessalonians 4:13-16 Revelation, Return, and Resurrection:

1 Thessalonians 4:17-18 Rapture and Reunion:

**5. 1 Thessalonians 5 Paul Readies the Church:**

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Be Ready:

1 Thessalonians 5:12-28 How to Be Ready:

1 Thessalonians 5:12-13 Honor Your Leaders:

1 Thessalonians 5:14-15 Care for Others:

1 Thessalonians 5:16-28 Worship In Truth:

**Application:**

1. What witness do I leave for other believers?
2. Do I experience the joy of the Holy Spirit?
3. Do I motivate others to serve God?
4. Do I leave a witness for those that don't know Jesus Christ?
5. Do I look for the coming of Jesus Christ?