

REFUTING FALSE CLAIMS 2 THESSALONIANS 2

Chi Alpha Lifegroup Guide 2 Thessalonians

LESSON PREP

- Identify the gospel truths in this chapter.
- Read Mathew 24 and correspond it to what Paul says.
- Read 1 John 2:18, 22; 4:3; 2 John 1:7.

PRE LG TEXT MESSAGE QUESTIONS

What is truth?

This is what we'll be discussing at Lifegroup tonight as we continue our study on the book of 2 Thessalonians.

SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION

2 Thessalonians
2:16-17

10N1 FOLLOW UP

Where are you tempted to forsake truth for pleasure?

OVERVIEW

The following video by The Bible Project gives a great overview of the book of 2 Thessalonians:
<https://youtu.be/kbPBDKOn1cc>

INTRODUCTION

- What is truth?
- Is it easy to determine what is true?

False Claim (2 Thess. 2:1-2)

- What is the rumor/false claim about the coming of the Lord?
- Summarize Mathew 24. How does this relate to this false claim?
- Some in Thessalonica were concerned the Lord had already returned and feared they had missed out. Paul is responding to this fear in this chapter. What fears/misconceptions are those believing around you? How can you respond to their fear?

Man of Lawlessness (2 Thess. 2:3-12)

- Which verse indicates that this is not Satan?
- Is this the same man as the antichrist? (1 John 2:18, 22; 4:3; 2 John 1:7)

Love the Truth (2 Thess. 2:9-12)

- What is the difference between loving the truth and knowing the truth?
- Where did we first see pleasure in unrighteousness?
- How are you sometimes tempted to choose pleasure over truth? Pleasure can be so deceiving and alluring sometimes, what can we do to fight?
- What happens when someone conscientiously chooses pleasure over sin?
- Do you know one hundred percent that you choose God no matter what?
- Behind an unconvinced mind lies a hard heart. Hardness of heart is another common theme in the Bible. Where else can you think of it occurring and why?
- Read John 3:19. Where has the theme of light and dark come up before in this study?
- Read Roman 1:18. When are you tempted to suppress the truth?

God Chose You (2 Thess. 2:13-17)

- We pondered if we know that we chose God over anything else. How does it make you feel to know that God chooses you? (1 Thess 1:4)
- Recall sanctification.
- How can we find rest in the the encouragement of v. 16-17?

APPLICATION

Knowing and loving truth is important to be able to stand firm no matter Satan's schemes.

