Living in the Last Days #9
Being Responsible, 2 Thess. 3:1-18
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TO BE A RESPONSIBLE BELIEVER I NEED TO…

1) Live & pray according to _____.

Finally, dear brothers and sisters, I ask you to pray for us. Pray first that the Lord's message will spread rapidly and be honored wherever it goes, just as when it came to you. Pray, too, that we will be saved from wicked and evil people, for not everyone believes in the Lord. But the Lord is faithful; he will make you strong and guard you from the evil one. 2 Thes. 3:1-3 (NLT)

- **My top priority is _____.**

As to the rest, pray ye, brethren, concerning us, that the word of the Lord may run and may be glorified, as also with you, 2 Thes. 3:1 (Young's)

- **A secondary priority is _____.**

2) Ask God to _____.

May the Lord direct your hearts into God's love and Christ's perseverance. 2 Thes. 3:5

WHAT AREAS TO I NEED TO GROW IN?

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3) Live out my faith through _____.

- **Don't _____.**

In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, we command you, brothers, to keep away from every brother who is idle and does not live according to the teaching you received from us. 2 Thes. 3:6

- **Don't _____.**

For you yourselves know how you ought to follow our example. We were not idle when we were with you, nor did we eat anyone's food without paying for it. On the contrary, we worked night and day, laboring and toiling so that we would not be a burden to any of you. We did this, not because we do not have the right to such help, but in order to make ourselves a model for you to follow. 2 Thes. 3:7-9

- **Do _____.**

For even when we were with you, we gave you this rule: "If a man will not work, he shall not eat." We hear that some among you are idle. They are not busy; they are busybodies. Such people we command and urge in the Lord Jesus Christ to settle down and earn the bread they eat. And as for you, brothers, never tire of doing what is right. 2 Thes. 3:10-13

- **Practice _____.**

If anyone does not obey our instruction in this letter, take special note of him. Do not associate with him, in order that he may feel ashamed. Yet do not regard him as an enemy, but warn him as a brother. 2 Thes. 3:14-15

WHY THIS EMPHASIS ON WORK?

Because life is all about _____.

4) Seek and Receive _____.

Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you. 2 Thes. 3:16

5) Live my life in _____

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. 2 Thes. 3:18

- **Grace = _____**
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