OUTLINE OF II THESSALONIANS CHAPTER ONE

(TOPIC: God's Righteous Retribution)

I. Introduction and Greeting. (1-2)

- a. Paul, Silvanus (Silas) and Timothy. (1)
- b. To the church at Thessalonica. (1)
- c. Grace and peace. (2)

II. Paul gives thanks for their faith and love. (3-4)

- a. The growth of their faith and love. (3)
- b. Paul boasts of them to other churches. (4)

III. God's righteous retribution. (5-10)

- a. Their patience is a token of God's righteous judgment. (5)
- b. God will recompense (or repay) trouble to the troublers.(6)
- c. God will recompense rest to those who have been troubled. (7a)
- d. Retribution to be done when Jesus is "revealed from heaven". (7b-10)
 - i. Vengeance to be taken on the ignorant and disobedient. (8-9)
 - ii. Jesus to be glorified and admired in His saints. (10)

IV. Prayer for God's blessings. (11-12)

- a. The petitions. (11)
 - i. That God would count them worthy.
 - ii. That God will fulfill all the good pleasure of goodness.
 - iii. That God would fulfill all the work of faith with power.
- b. The purpose of the petitions. (12)
 - i. That the name of Jesus may be glorified in them.
 - ii. That they may be glorified in Him,