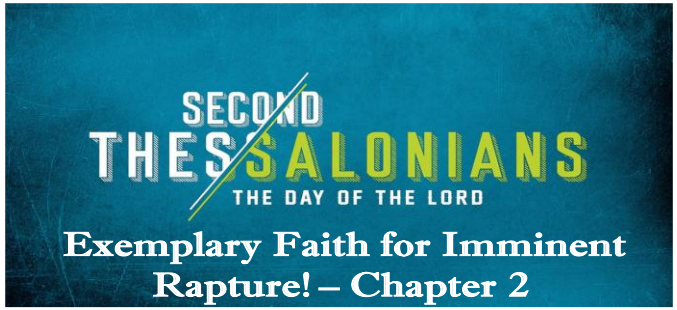

We cannot presume to know the mind of God or His _____ for His actions! – **Isaiah 55:8–9; Romans 1:17**

God purposes to keep prophetic information metaphorical and non-specific as a means of _____ our faith!

We have all the information we need to interpret the signs of the age and remain _____ to live each day as if it could be our last on earth!

It is God's design for His people to live with _____ and in mystery**! – Psalm 33:8**

God's design is to keep us slightly _____ _____ so that we will live in total dependency of Him! – **2 Corinthians 5:7**

If we knew the hour and the day of Christ's return, most of us would probably _____ until the last minute!

Matthew 24:36 "No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.

God wants us to have a _____ view of end time events!

God worked through Paul to …

1. Give us a _____ of the nature and purpose of the antichrist!
2. _____ what awaits those who refuse Jesus Christ!
3. Encourage _____ living with the knowledge of Christ's ultimate victory and evil's demise!

If God gave us any more insight into the prophetic timing of His return, we would obsess over end time theology to the _____ of the present moment!

Chapter 2 is the _____ of this letter!

1. The end of the world and the return of Christ!

1) Be wary of _____! – **V. 1-2**

Paul was warning this congregation against preaching **not** _____ by God and letters written in his name claiming the day of the Lord had already come! – **Matthew 4:4; Acts 20:27**

2) The day of the Lord _____! – **V. 3-4; Revelation 12:9**

Just prior to Christ's return …

1. The "_____" must come!

A _____ denial of the faith by professing Christians will take place!

2. The "_____" must take his stage!

He will be the embodiment of all that is called _____!

He will wage war against everything that hints at religion, faith, or _____. He will try to _____ worship of any kind: prayers, songs, gatherings, and shrines.

All that is currently happening in the Middle East is _____! The idea of Israel _____ a temple is not absurd!