

# 2 Thessalonians

## Scripture:

2 Thessalonians 1:5-10; 2:1-2, 13-17

## Also:

1 Corinthians 15:58

## Discussion Questions

**What has challenged you, changed you or confused you from this week's sermon or the book of 2 Thessalonians?**

1. This week's sermon helped us remember how to live now in light of the future:
  - Our present reality reminds us that there will be future redemption
  - Don't be shaken
  - Stand firm
2. Read 2 Thessalonians 1:5-10
  - **When you see the pain or suffering in your life, the lives of those around you, or the world, what do you normally think about?**
  - **Does it remind you of the hope of future redemption?**
  - **If not, what could you add or subtract from your thought process to help get you there?**
3. Read 2 Thessalonians 2:1-2
  - **What kinds of things tend to shake you? (Political, pandemic, personal injustice, disaster, racism, etc)**
  - **What can you do now to prepare you to stand firm when those things occur?**
  - Paul speaks of Jesus coming matter-of-factly; **how often do you think about it? In what ways do you think about it? How does it give you strength to resist being shaken?**
4. Read 2 Thessalonians 2:13-17
  - **Do you tend to think of "standing firm" as more related to truth or to love, or to both? Why?**
  - **What does standing firm in our culture look like?**
  - **Are you standing firm now?**
  - **Where do you need to take a stronger stance?**

***May the confident hope of Jesus return be a strengthening and freeing part of our daily lives!***