**Sabbath Service**

**August 1,2025**

**Welcome & Prayer**

**The First Epistle of Paul to the Thessalonians**

1 Thessalonians 5: *“A Thief in the Night”*

1 Thessalonians 5:1 [But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-1/)

1 Thessalonians 5:[2 For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-2/)

*2 Peter 3:*  [*9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.*](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/2-Peter-3-9/)

[*10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.*](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/2-Peter-3-10/)

*Revelation 16:*

[*15 Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.*](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Revelation-16-15/)

[*16And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.*](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Revelation-16-16/)

*Zephaniah 1*:  [14 The great day of the LORD is near, it is near, and hasteth greatly, even the voice of the day of the LORD: the mighty man shall cry there bitterly.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Zephaniah-1-14/)

[15 That day is a day of wrath, a day of trouble and distress, a day of wasteness and desolation, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness,](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Zephaniah-1-15/)

[16 A day of the trumpet and alarm against the fenced cities, and against the high towers.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Zephaniah-1-16/)

[17 And I will bring distress upon men, that they shall walk like blind men, because they have sinned against the LORD: and their blood shall be poured out as dust, and their flesh as the dung.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Zephaniah-1-17/)

[18 Neither their silver nor their gold shall be able to deliver them in the day of the LORD'S wrath; but the whole land shall be devoured by the fire of his jealousy: for he shall make even a speedy riddance of all them that dwell in the land.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Zephaniah-1-18/)

*The “Day of the Lord” holds an important place in prophecy. Amos declared that the “Day” signified judgement for Israel (cf. Is. 2:12-22; Ezek. 13:5; Joel 1:15; 2:1, 11; Zeph. 1:14; Zech 13:1 see note on Zeph. 1:7)*

1 Thessalonians 5:[3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-3/)

*Read Isaiah 13:6-13*

1 Thessalonians 5:[4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-4/)

1 Thessalonians 5:[5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-5/)

*John 12:*  [*35 Then Jesus said unto them, Yet a little while is the light with you. Walk while ye have the light, lest darkness come upon you: for he that walketh in darkness knoweth not whither he goeth.*](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-12-35/)

[*36 While ye have light, believe in the light, that ye may be the children of light. These things spake Jesus, and departed, and did hide himself from them.*](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-12-36/)

1 Thessalonians 5:[6 Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-6/)

*Sleep 2518,katheudo, kath-yoo’-do; from 2596 and heudo (to sleep); to lie down to rest, i.e. (by implication) to fall asleep (literal or figurative): -(be a) sleep.*

1 Thessalonians 5:[7 For they that sleep sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-7/)

1 Thessalonians 5:[8 But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-8/)

*Isaiah 59:16-17*

1 Thessalonians 5:[9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-9/)

1 Thessalonians 5:[10 Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-10/)

1 Thessalonians 5:[11 Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-11/)

***Final Instructions***

1 Thessalonians 5:[12 And we beseech you, brethren, to know them which labour among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you;](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-12/)

1 Thessalonians 5:[13 And to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. And be at peace among yourselves.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-13/)

1 Thessalonians 5:[14 Now we exhort you, brethren, warn them that are unruly, comfort the feebleminded, support the weak, be patient toward all men.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-14/)

1 Thessalonians 5:[15 See that none render evil for evil unto any man; but ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves, and to all men.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-15/)

1 Thessalonians 5:[16 Rejoice evermore.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-16/)

1 Thessalonians 5:[17 Pray without ceasing.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-17/)

1 Thessalonians 5:[18 In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-18/)

1 Thessalonians 5:[19 Quench not the Spirit.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-19/)

1 Thessalonians 5:[20 Despise not prophesyings.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-20/)

1 Thessalonians 5:[21 Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-21/)

1 Thessalonians 5:[22 Abstain from all appearance of evil.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-22/)

1 Thessalonians 5:[23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-23/)

1 Thessalonians 5:[24 Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-24/)

1 Thessalonians 5:[25 Brethren, pray for us.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-25/)

1 Thessalonians 5: [26 Greet all the brethren with an holy kiss.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-26/)

1 Thessalonians 5:[27 I charge you by the Lord that this epistle be read unto all the holy brethren.](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-27/)

1 Thessalonians 5:[28 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen. (The first epistle to the Thessalonians was written from Athens.)](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Thessalonians-5-28/)