

The Sword, The Mob and the Stars

1 Thessalonians 2:13-20



“As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater, so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.” Is. 55:10-11

1) _____ **YOUR SWORD**

“The word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword...” Hebrews 4:12

“Stand firm...take the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God.” Eph. 6

“And we also thank God continually because, when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as a human word, but as it actually is, the word of God, which is indeed at work in you who believe.” 1 Thessalonians 2:13

a) We choose to _____ it.

“I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.” Psalm 119:11

b) We choose to _____ it.

“I know whom I have believed...” 2 Tim. 2:12

c) We choose to _____ it.

d) We choose to _____ on it.

2) _____ **THE MOB**

“For you, brothers and sisters, became imitators of God’s churches in Judea, which are in Christ Jesus: You suffered from your own people the same things those churches suffered from the Jews ¹⁵who killed the Lord Jesus and the prophets and also drove us out. They displease God and are hostile to everyone.” 1 Thessalonians 2:14-15

“...you are the descendants of those who murdered the prophets. Go ahead, then, and complete what your ancestors started!” Matthew 23:31b-32

Notes:

3) _____ **LIKE STARS**

“For we wanted to come to you—certainly I, Paul, did, again and again—but Satan blocked our way. ¹⁹For what is our hope, our joy, or the crown in which we will glory in the presence of our Lord Jesus when he comes? Is it not you? ²⁰Indeed, you are our glory and joy.” 1 Thessalonians 2:18-20

Compare **Daniel 12:1-3**

Application: