



## **Breakdown Of 2 Thessalonians 3:6-18 (NIV)**

*6 In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, we command you, brothers and sisters, to keep away from every believer who is idle and disruptive and does not live according to the teaching you received from us. 7 For you yourselves know how you ought to follow our example. We were not idle when we were with you, 8 nor did we eat anyone's food without paying for it. On the contrary, we worked night and day, laboring and toiling so that we would not be a burden to any of you. 9 We did this, not because we do not have the right to such help, but in order to offer ourselves as a model for you to imitate. 10 For even when we were with you, we gave you this rule: "The one who is unwilling to work shall not eat." 11 We hear that some among you are idle and disruptive. They are not busy; they are busybodies. 12 Such people we command and urge in the Lord Jesus Christ to settle down and earn the food they eat. 13 And as for you, brothers and sisters, never tire of doing what is good. 14 Take special note of anyone who does not obey our instruction in this letter. Do not associate with them, in order that they may feel ashamed. 15 Yet do not regard them as an enemy, but warn them as you would a fellow believer.*

*16 Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you. 17 I, Paul, write this greeting in my own hand, which is the distinguishing mark in all my letters. This is how I write. 18 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.*

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### **1 - Warning Against Idleness In The Body Of Christ (VS 6-15)**

#### **(Other Examples)**

**Matthew 25:14-17** - *The parable of the talents or bags of gold.*

**Ephesians 4:28** - *He who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with his own hands, that he may have something to share with those in need.*

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### **2 - Final Blessing Upon The Thessalonians (16-18)**

*Prayer for internal peace in their soul and the assurance that it was indeed the Apostle Paul writing this letter to them because they were deceived before from liars telling them the rapture already happened.*