

The Instructions for Living Faith 1 Thess. 3:1-13

Does the ministry of the Holy Spirit really work? Can He teach us and guide us into a life of living faith that is grounded in the word of God? Can He help us take on the actions and character of Jesus? Paul certainly wanted to know how those questions would be answered in the new faith of the Thessalonians. He sent Timothy to get those answers and found that their faith was alive and growing. In chapter three Paul shares his gladness at the news and gives three instructions for nurturing their living faith.

1. Instructions for your _____

(1 Thessalonians 3:1-5)

- a) Living faith needs to be _____ (vs. 1-2)
- b) Living faith needs to stay _____ in afflictions (vs. 3-4)
- c) The devil will _____ you in your afflictions (vs. 5)

Your trust in God will be challenged by _____.

2. Instructions for _____

(1 Thessalonians 3:6-10)

- a) We find comfort in the faith of _____ (vs. 6-7)
- b) We find comfort in being _____ (vs. 8)
- c) We find comfort in _____ for others (vs. 9-10)

(continued on back)

The Instructions for Living Faith 1 Thess. 3:1-13

Does the ministry of the Holy Spirit really work? Can He teach us and guide us into a life of living faith that is grounded in the word of God? Can He help us take on the actions and character of Jesus? Paul certainly wanted to know how those questions would be answered in the new faith of the Thessalonians. He sent Timothy to get those answers and found that their faith was alive and growing. In chapter three Paul shares his gladness at the news and gives three instructions for nurturing their living faith.

1. Instructions for your _____

(1 Thessalonians 3:1-5)

- a) Living faith needs to be _____ (vs. 1-2)
- b) Living faith needs to stay _____ in afflictions (vs. 3-4)
- c) The devil will _____ you in your afflictions (vs. 5)

Your trust in God will be challenged by _____.

2. Instructions for _____

(1 Thessalonians 3:6-10)

- a) We find comfort in the faith of _____ (vs. 6-7)
- b) We find comfort in being _____ (vs. 8)
- c) We find comfort in _____ for others (vs. 9-10)

(continued on back)

*Comfort in affliction can be found in God's _____
for others.*

3. Instructions for your _____

(1 Thessalonians 3:11-13)

a) Let the Lord help you _____ and abound
in love (vs. 11-12)

b) Let the Lord establish your heart _____
in holiness before our God and Father (vs. 13)

*God's desire is for you to possess a heart of love for _____
people.*

MY STANDARD FOR FAITH:

*I will use the instructions of God to _____ and
energize my living faith.*

*Comfort in affliction can be found in God's _____
for others.*

3. Instructions for your _____

(1 Thessalonians 3:11-13)

a) Let the Lord help you _____ and abound
in love (vs. 11-12)

b) Let the Lord establish your heart _____
in holiness before our God and Father (vs. 13)

*God's desire is for you to possess a heart of love for _____
people.*

MY STANDARD FOR FAITH:

*I will use the instructions of God to _____ and
energize my living faith.*

The Instructions for Living Faith 1 Thess. 3:1-13

Does the ministry of the Holy Spirit really work? Can He teach us and guide us into a life of living faith that is grounded in the word of God? Can He help us take on the actions and character of Jesus? Paul certainly wanted to know how those questions would be answered in the new faith of the Thessalonians. He sent Timothy to get those answers and found that their faith was alive and growing. In chapter three Paul shares his gladness at the news and gives three instructions for nurturing their living faith.

1. Instructions for your faith

(1 Thessalonians 3:1-5)

- a) Living faith needs to be established (vs. 1-2)
- b) Living faith needs to stay stable in afflictions (vs. 3-4)
- c) The devil will tempt you in your afflictions (vs. 5)

Your trust in God will be challenged by adversity.

2. Instructions for affliction

(1 Thessalonians 3:6-10)

- a) We find comfort in the faith of another (vs. 6-7)
- b) We find comfort in being thankful (vs. 8)
- c) We find comfort in praying for others (vs. 9-10)

(continued on back)

The Instructions for Living Faith 1 Thess. 3:1-13

Does the ministry of the Holy Spirit really work? Can He teach us and guide us into a life of living faith that is grounded in the word of God? Can He help us take on the actions and character of Jesus? Paul certainly wanted to know how those questions would be answered in the new faith of the Thessalonians. He sent Timothy to get those answers and found that their faith was alive and growing. In chapter three Paul shares his gladness at the news and gives three instructions for nurturing their living faith.

1. Instructions for your faith

(1 Thessalonians 3:1-5)

- a) Living faith needs to be established (vs. 1-2)
- b) Living faith needs to stay stable in afflictions (vs. 3-4)
- c) The devil will tempt you in your afflictions (vs. 5)

Your trust in God will be challenged by adversity.

2. Instructions for affliction

(1 Thessalonians 3:6-10)

- a) We find comfort in the faith of another (vs. 6-7)
- b) We find comfort in being thankful (vs. 8)
- c) We find comfort in praying for others (vs. 9-10)

(continued on back)

Comfort in affliction can be found in God's heart for others.

3. Instructions for your heart

(1 Thessalonians 3:11-13)

- a) Let the Lord help you increase and abound in love (vs. 11-12)
- b) Let the Lord establish your heart blameless in holiness before our God and Father (vs. 13)

God's desire is for you to possess a heart of love for all people.

MY STANDARD FOR FAITH:

I will use the instructions of God to develop and energize my living faith.

Comfort in affliction can be found in God's heart for others.

3. Instructions for your heart

(1 Thessalonians 3:11-13)

- a) Let the Lord help you increase and abound in love (vs. 11-12)
- b) Let the Lord establish your heart blameless in holiness before our God and Father (vs. 13)

God's desire is for you to possess a heart of love for all people.

MY STANDARD FOR FAITH:

I will use the instructions of God to develop and energize my living faith.