

Paul, His Life and Teachings

Paul's Letter: 2 Thessalonians

Lesson 18

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Paul writes 1 and 2 Thessalonians from Corinth



Paul won't let go of his concerns



Paul begins by identifying himself with the Thessalonians



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God *our* Father and the Lord Jesus
Christ”



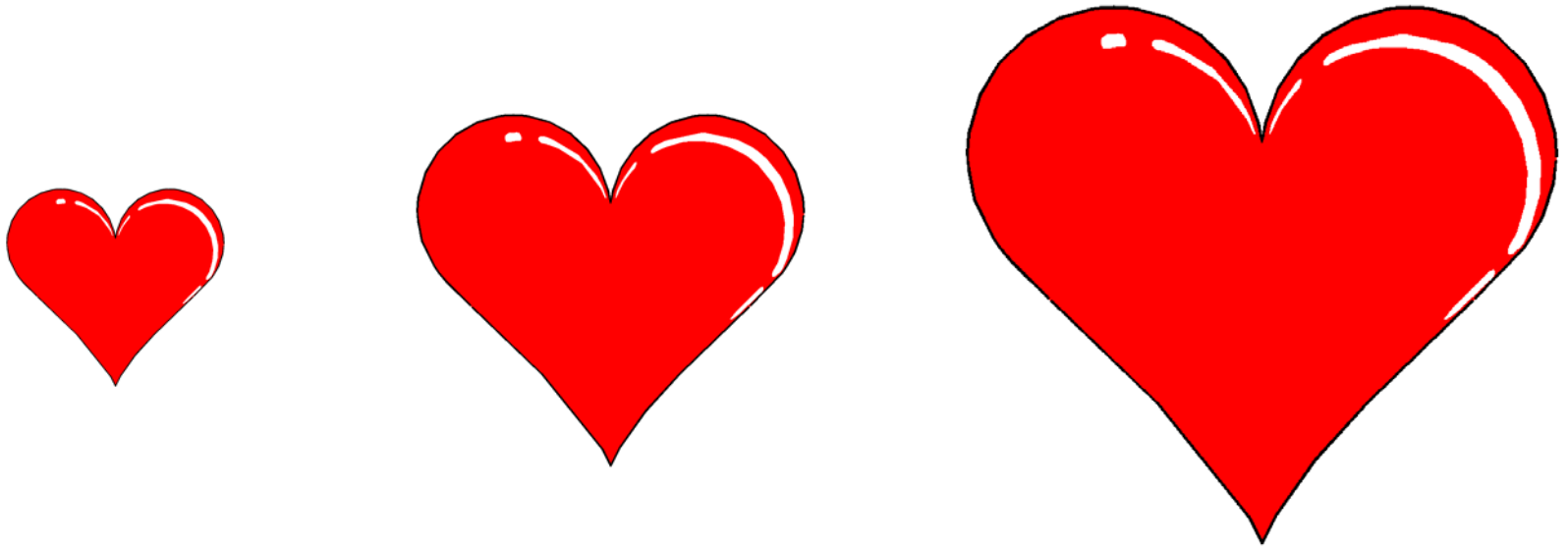
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“Grace and peace from God *our* Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ”



Remember Paul's prayer
in 1 Thessalonians ...



That their love and faith grow more and
more

In 2 Thessalonians Paul is thankful
for their growing faith and love



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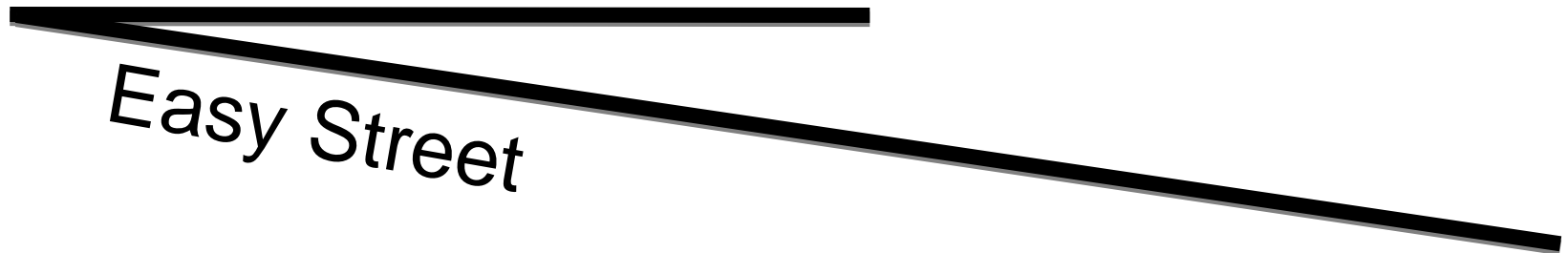


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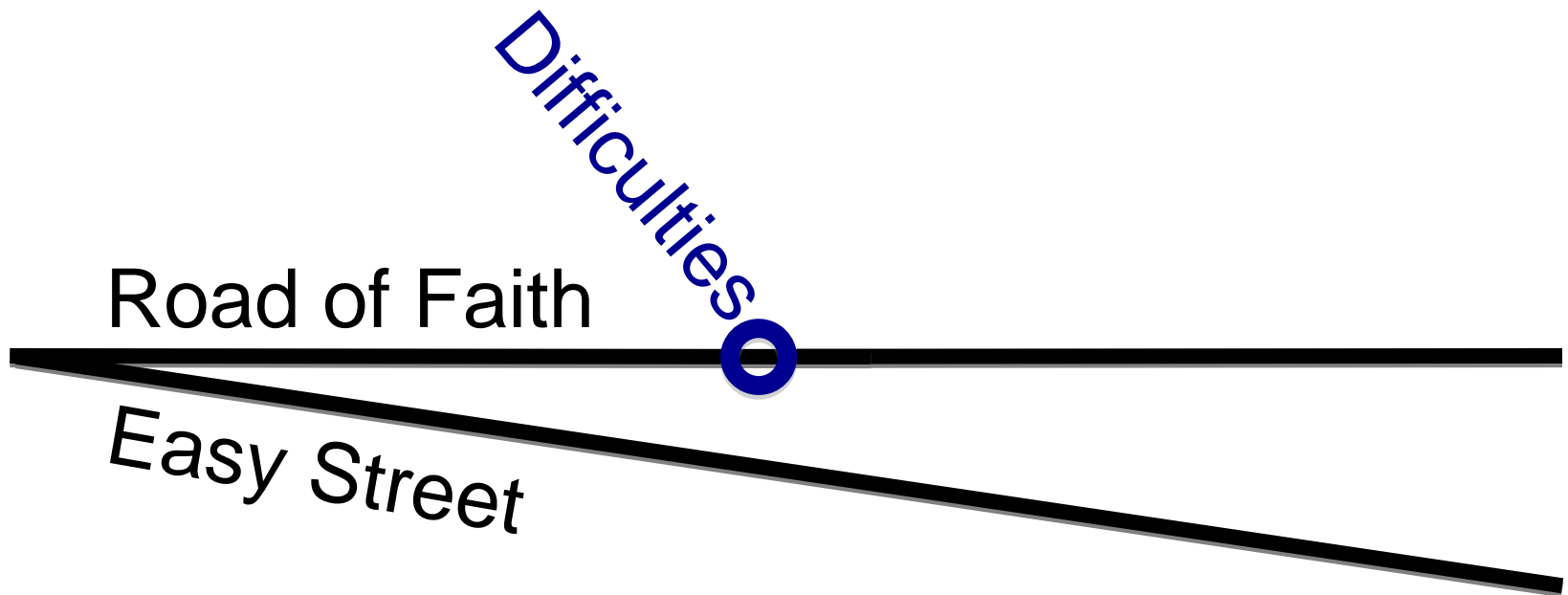
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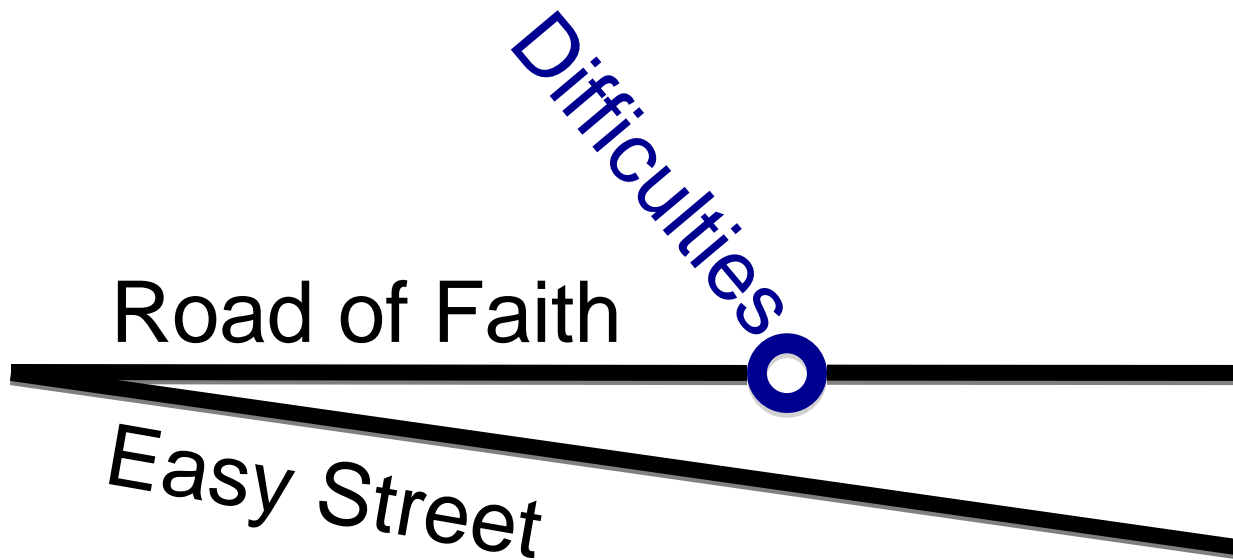
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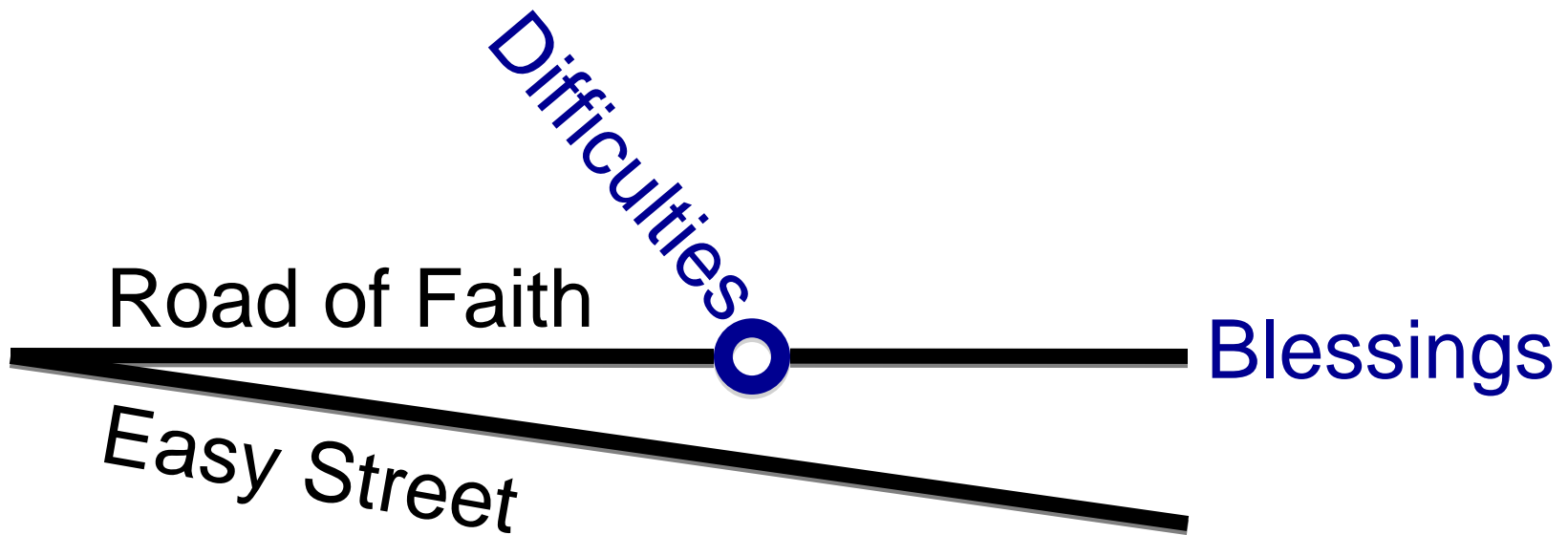
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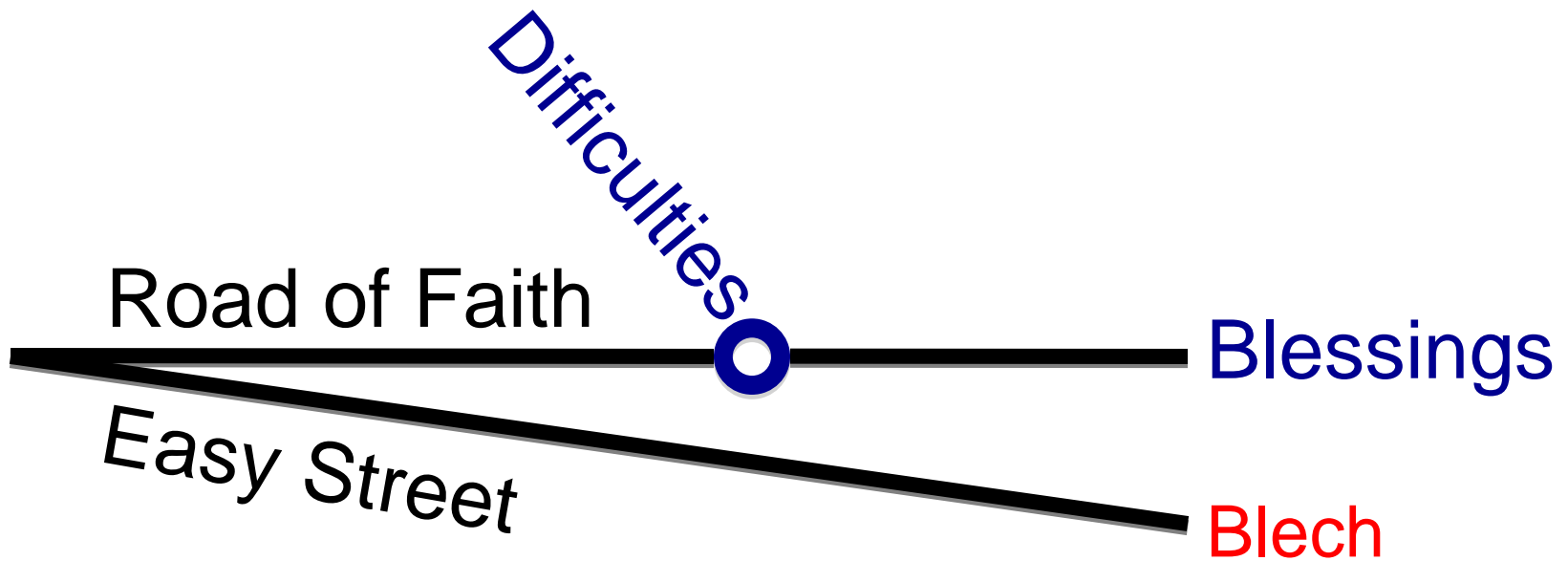
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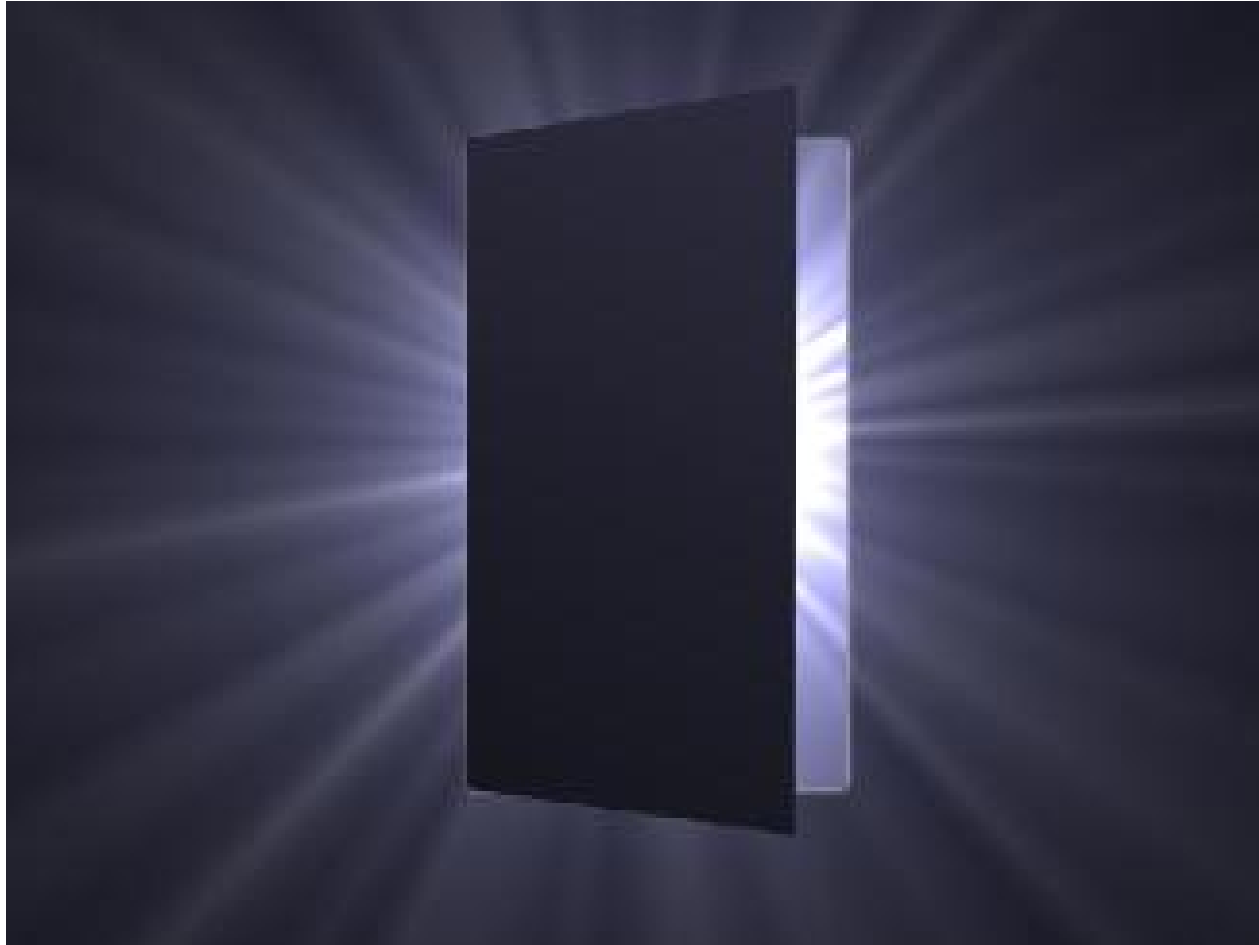
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By “gospel” Paul means:



To “obey” the gospel means to
“hear” and “come under”



To “obey” the gospel means to
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Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand;
The shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land;
A home within the wilderness. A rest upon the way;
From the burning of the noon time heat and the burden
of the day

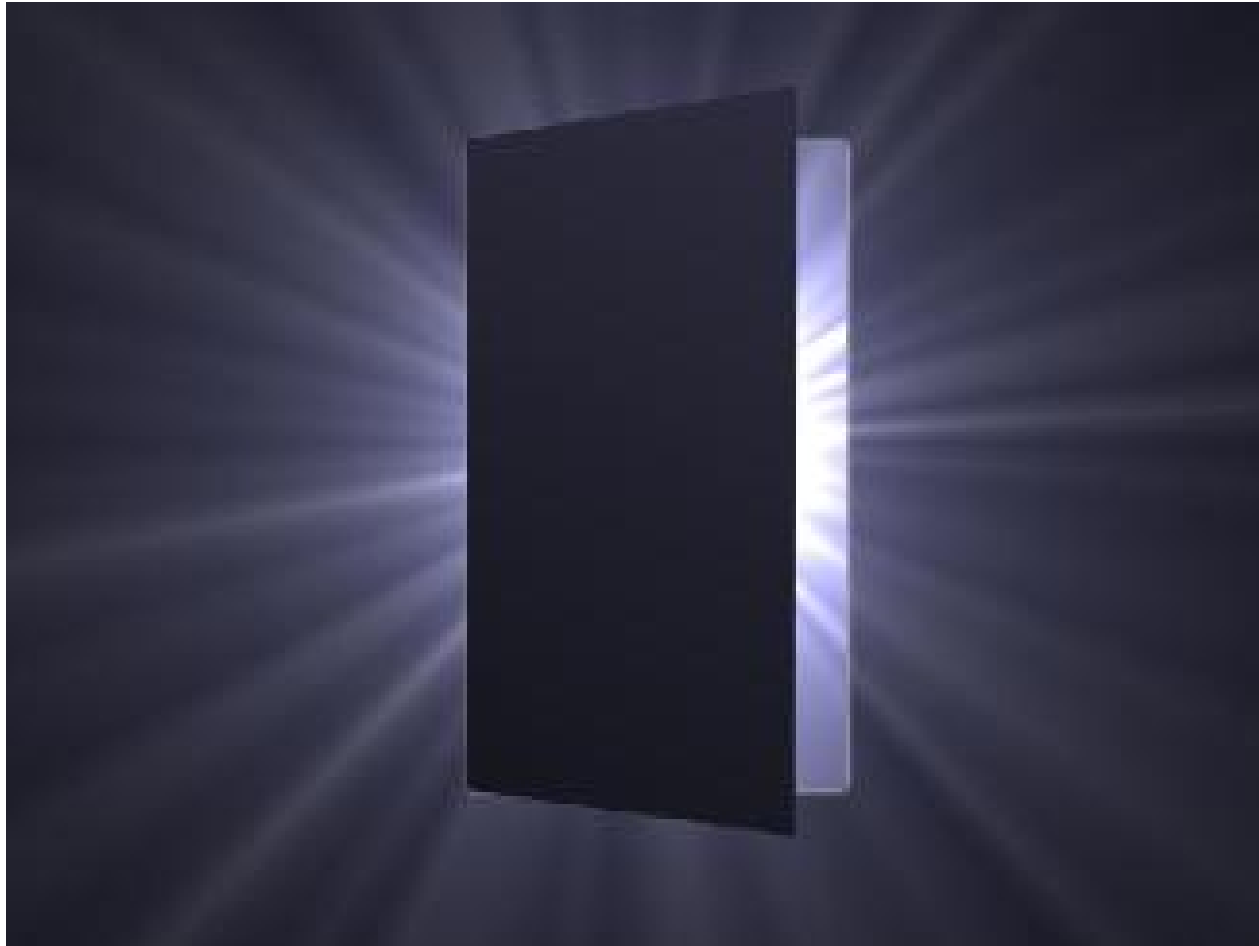


I take, oh cross thy shadow for my abiding place;
I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of his face,
Content to let the world go by;
to know no gain or loss
My sinful self my only shame; My glory all the cross

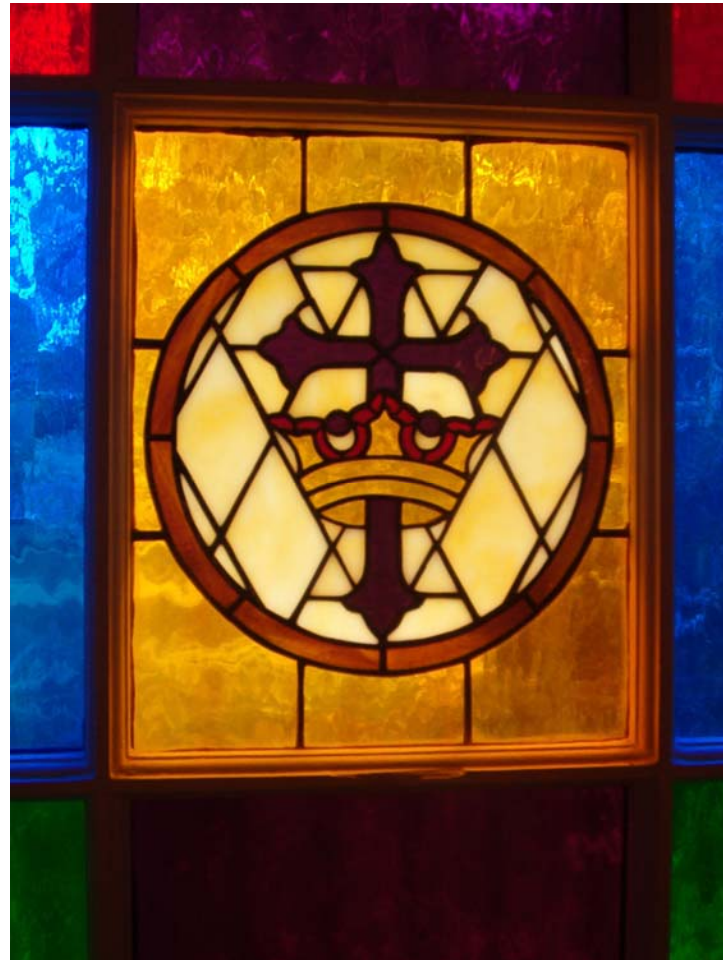
Suffering, an evil or a tool?



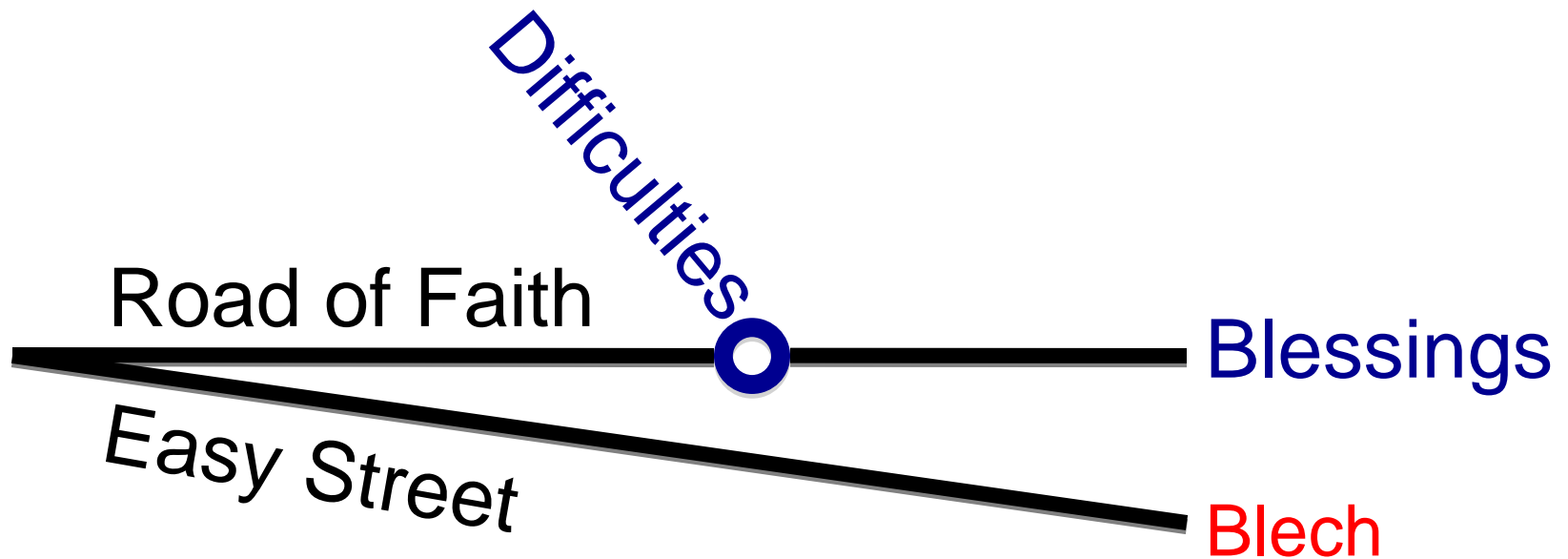
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The return of Jesus brings
judgment to the evil but triumph to
the saints



So stay on your road, live up to
your calling, Jesus will return
and things will be right



By the way, you have not been so caught up in your problems that you missed any of the second coming!





“Unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God”

The man of lawlessness is
restrained for now



Be thankful as God's children
chosen to be saved and made holy



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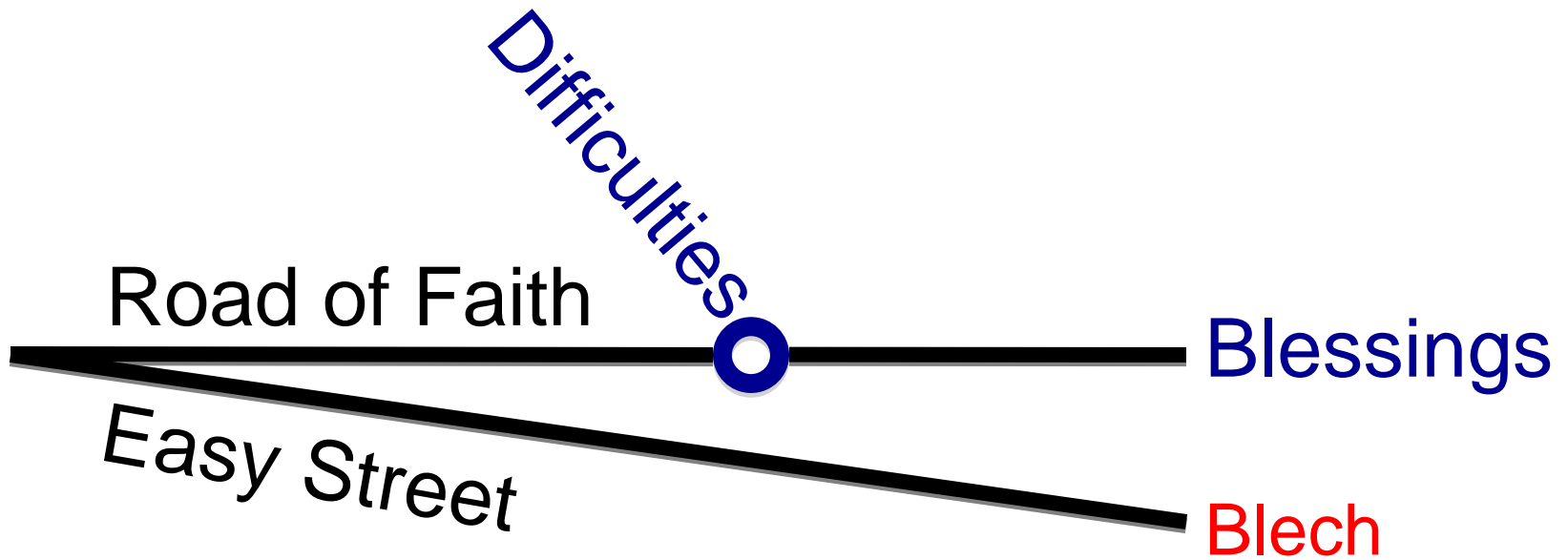


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The word is received
with honor

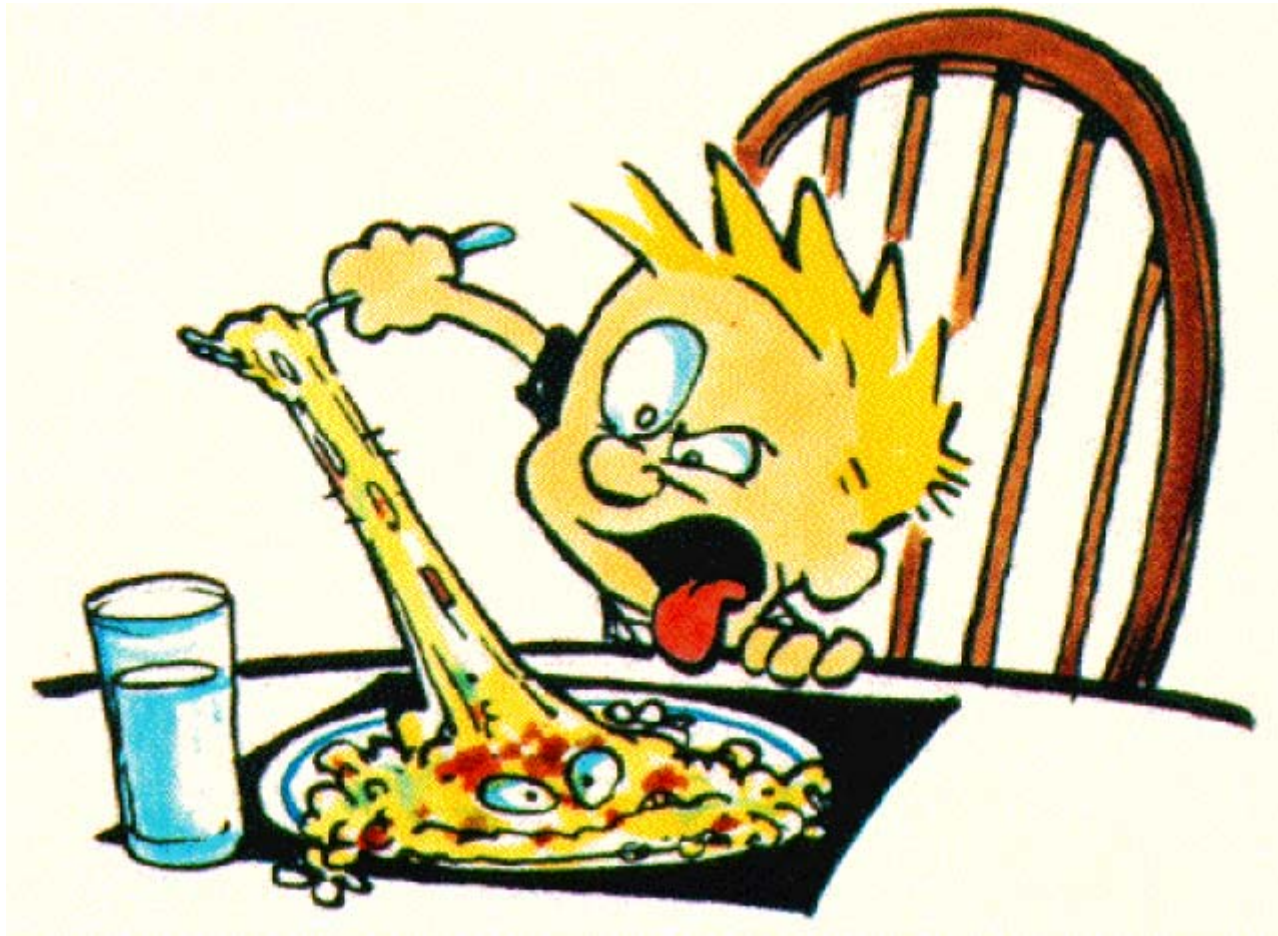
Trust God and his faithfulness



Don't stop working just because
Jesus is returning



If you won't work, you won't eat!



Stay busy, there is lots to do!





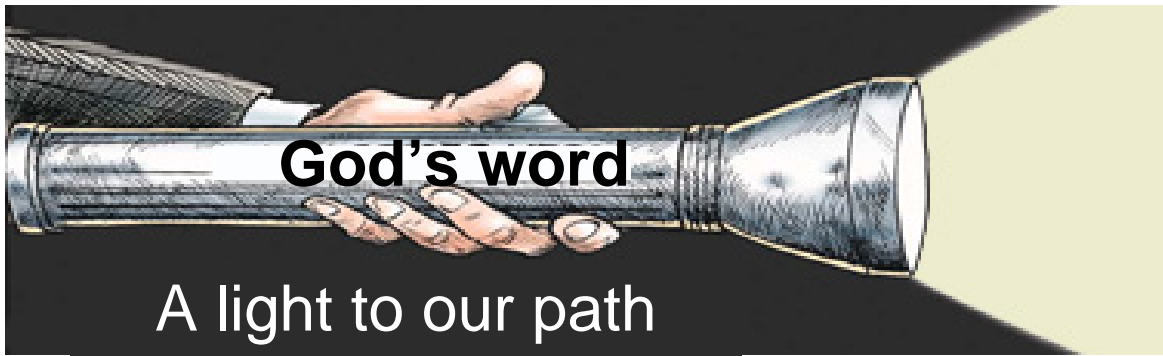
Closing with a prayer for peace



A light to our path

Points
for
Home

“God *our* Father and the Lord Jesus
Christ” (1:1, 2)

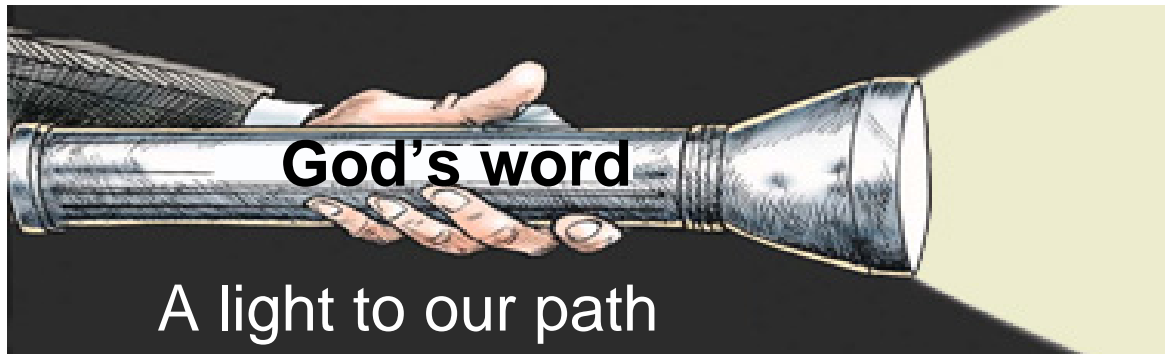


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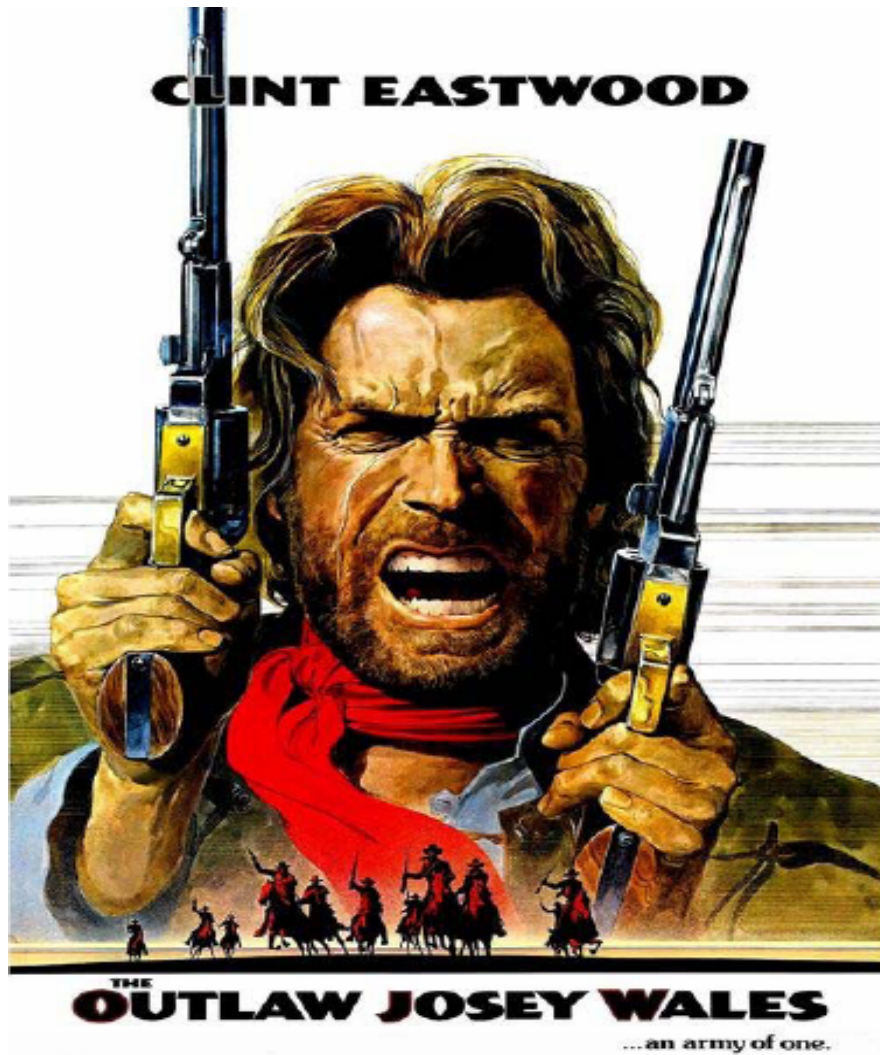


Get connected!

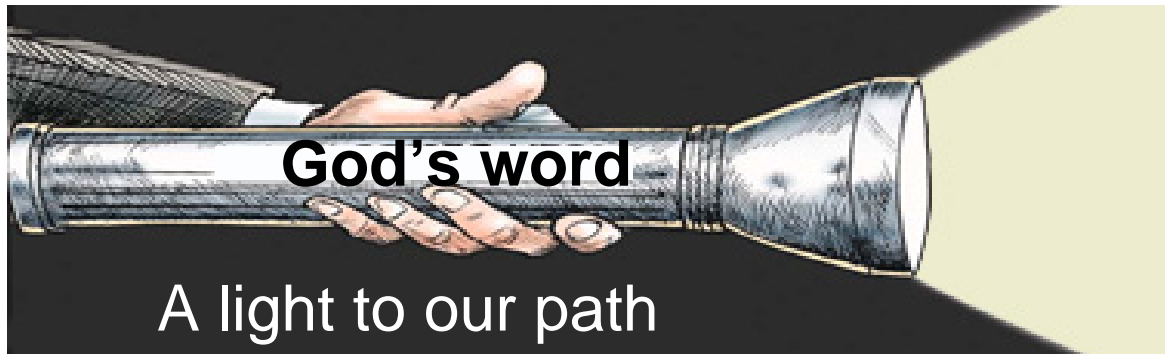


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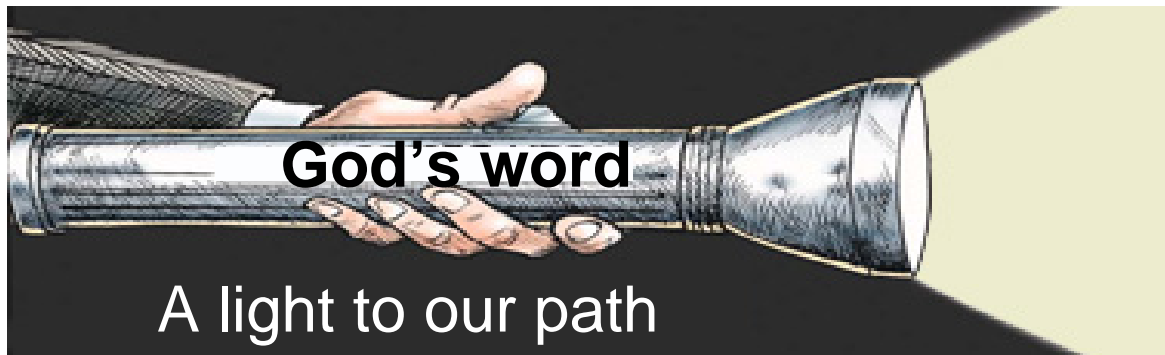
Who is the
“man of
lawlessness?”



Points for Home

“Now concerning the coming of our Lord
Jesus Christ” (2:1)

- Jesus is returning
- Satan is destroyed
- Be encouraged



Points for Home

“Some of you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies” (3:11)



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Serve God each
minute of each day!