



## Introduction

*Paul gives advice on living and speaks about the return of Jesus Christ.*



## Questions

1. What does Paul say is God's will for them?
2. What does Paul say their ambition should be?
3. What does Paul say will happen when Jesus returns?



## Summary Points

- **v 1 to 8** The Thessalonian believers are encouraged to try more and more to please God in their lives by avoiding sexual immorality
- **v 9 to 12** They are to increase their kindness towards one another and work to support themselves
- **v 13 to 15** They are concerned about their members who have died. Paul reassures them they will be raised from the dead at the return of Jesus (see theme).
- **v 16 to 18** Paul says that at the coming of Christ the dead in Christ will rise first. They will then be joined by believers who are still alive to meet Jesus Christ

**Timeline** 60 AD (see below)



## Theme

### Resurrection at the return of Jesus Christ

*A selection of verses showing that the resurrection will be at the return of Jesus Christ.*

Jesus confirms the confidence that his friend Martha expresses in the resurrection:

*John 11 verses 23 and 24*

The apostle Paul tells the Corinthians that people will be raised at the return of Jesus:

*1 Corinthians 15 verses 22 and 23*

He gives a similar message to the Thessalonians:

*1 Thessalonians 4 verse 16*



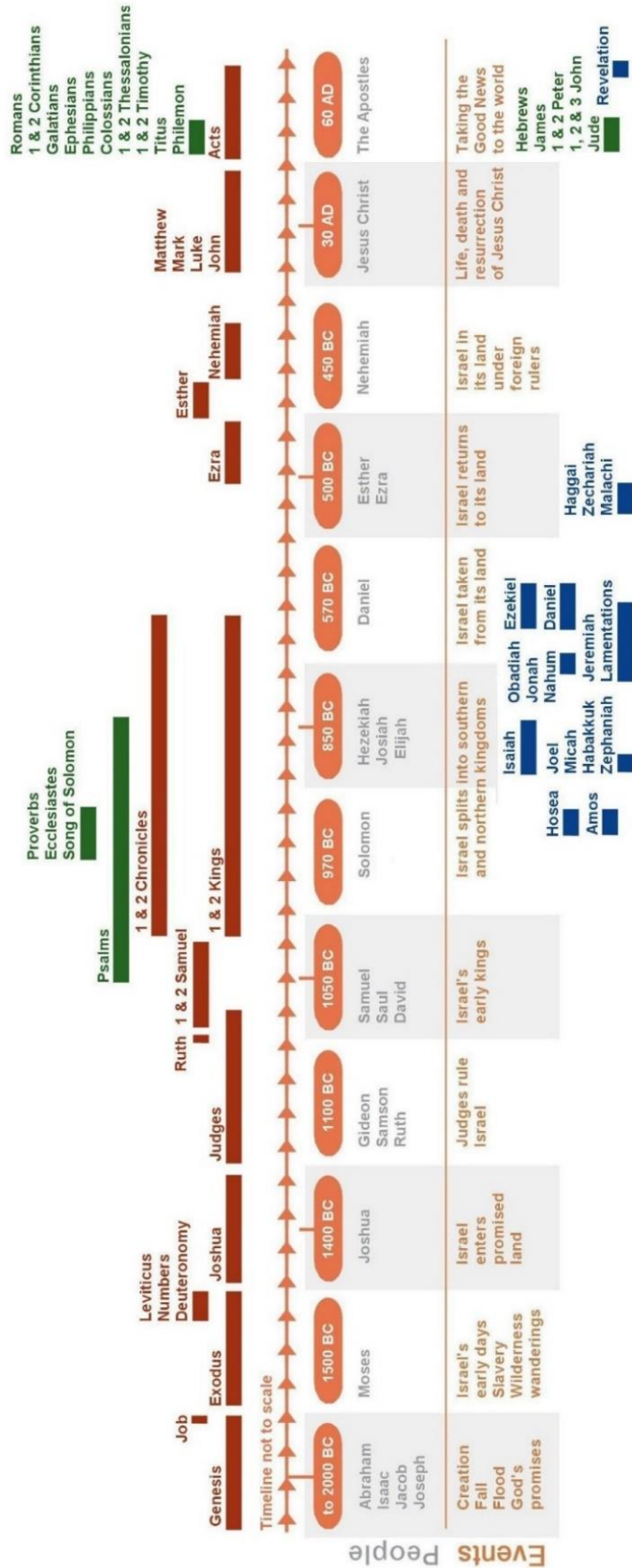
## Answers to questions

Verses which answer the questions:

Q 1: v 3 to 5, Q 2: v 11 and 12, Q 3: v 16 and 17



# Bible timeline



**Week 25 Day 4 1 Thessalonians 4** Understand your Bible reading plan

