**1 Thessalonians 2:17–3:10**

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| 17a  b  c  d  18a  b  c  19a  b  c  d  20  3:1a  b  c  2a  b  c  d  e  f  3a  b  c  4a  b  c  d  e  f  5a  b  c  d  e  6a  c  d  e  f  g  h  i  7a  b  c  8  9a  b  c  d  e  10a  b  c  d  e | But we, brethren . . .  having been taken away from you for a short while  — in person, not in spirit —  . . .were all the more eager with great desire to see your face.  For we wanted to come to you  — I, Paul, more than once —  and *yet* Satan hindered us.  For who is our hope  or joy  or crown of exultation?  Is it not even you, in the presence of our Lord Jesus at His coming?  For you are our glory and joy.  Therefore,  when we could endure *it* no longer,  we thought it best to be left behind at Athens alone,  and we sent Timothy,  our brother  and God’s fellow worker in the gospel of Christ,  to strengthen  and encourage you  as to your faith,  so that no one would be disturbed by these afflictions;  for you yourselves know  that we have been destined for this.  For indeed . . .  when we were with you,  . . .we *kept* telling you in advance  that we were going to suffer affliction;  and so it came to pass,  as you know.  For this reason,  when I could endure *it* no longer,  I also sent to find out about your faith,  for fear that the tempter might have tempted you,  and our labor would be in vain.  But now  that Timothy has come to us from you,  and has brought us good news  of your faith  and love,  and that you always think kindly of us,  longing to see us  just as we also long to see you,  for this reason, brethren . . .  in all our distress and affliction  . . .we were comforted about you through your faith;  for now we *really* live, if you stand firm in the Lord.  For what thanks can we render to God for you in return  for all the joy  with which we rejoice  before our God  on your account,  as we . . .  night and day  . . . keep praying most earnestly  that we may see your face,  and may complete what is lacking in your faith? | Temporal circumstances (17d)  Comment (17b)  Main Statement (MS)  Further explanation (17a,d)  Comment (18a)  Parallel explanation (18a)  Rhetorical Question / Reason (MS)  Parallel (19a)  Parallel (19b)  Answer to Rhetorical Question (19a)  Reason (19d)  Comment (1c)  Response (18a–20)  Parallel (1c)  ID / Description (Timothy)  ID / Description (Timothy)  Purpose (1c–2a)  Parallel (2d)  Content (2d, e)  Purpose (2d, e)  Explanation (3a)  Content (3b)  Temporal/Comment (4c)  Explanation (3c)  Content (4c)  Comment (4d)  Comment (4e)  Explanation  Comment (1c)  Response (18a–20)  Reason (5c)  Parallel (5d)  Action / Sequence (5c)  Parallel (6c)  Content (6d)  Parallel (6e)  Parallel (6f)  Description (6g)  Comparison (6h)  Circumstances (7c)  Explanation (7c)  Rhetorical question / Reponse (6a–8)  Reason (9a)  Description (9b)  Circumstances (9c)  Reason (9b, c)  Time (9)  Action / Further Description (9c–e)  Content / Request (10c)  Parallel Request / Purpose (10d) |