OUTLINE OF II THESSALONIANS CHAPTER THREE

I.   **REQUEST FOR PRAYER. (1-2)**
   a.   That the word may run and be glorified. (1)
   b.   That they may be delivered. (2)

II. **EXPRESSIONS OF CONFIDENCE. (3-5)**
   a.   He is faithful. (3)
      i.   He will stablish (strengthen) you.
      ii. He will keep you from evil.
   b.   Prayer that the Lord would direct them. (5)
      i.   Into the love of God.
      ii. Into the patience of Christ.
   c.   Confidence in the Thessalonians. (4)

III. **WITHDRAW FROM IDLERS. (6-15)**
   a.   The command. (6)
   b.   Paul's example of working. (7-9)
      i.   Behaved not disorderly. (7)
      ii. Worked night and day. (8-9)
   c.   This command taught previously. (10)
   d.   The report concerning idlers. (11)
   e.   Idlers commanded to work. (12)
   f.   Be not weary in well doing. (13)
   g.   Withdrawal to produce shame (and repentance). (14-15)

IV. **PRAYER FOR PEACE. (16)**

V.   **CONCLUSION. (17-18)**
   a.   Paul's own salutation. (17) (Compare I Cor. 16:21; Col. 4:18 and Gal. 6:11)
   b.   Benediction of grace. (18)

SCRIPTURES ON "WITHDRAWAL"

1. **Rom. 16:17** – Avoid those that cause divisions and teach doctrine contrary to that which we have learned.
2. **I Cor. 5:11** – Do not keep company with a Christian brother who is a fornicator, covetous, idolater, railer, drunkard, or extortioner.
3. **I. Tim. 6:5** – Withdraw from those who will not consent to the words of Christ, but dispute perversely, and think godliness is a way of gain.
4. **II John 10** – Receive not into your houses those who bring not the true doctrine of about Christ.
5. **Matt. 18:15-17** – Reject those who wrong you, if they will not make it right after you go and tell them.
6. **II Thess. 3:6,10-12 & 14** – Withdraw from church members who will not work.

QUESTIONS (OR FILL IN THE BLANKS) FOR
II THESSALONIANS CHAPTER THREE

1. Paul asked for prayer that the word of the Lord might do what? (1) (two answers)

2. Paul requested prayer that he might be delivered from _____ and _____ men. (2)

3. Who is always faithful? (3)

4. What will the Lord do for us? (3) (two answers)

5. True or False. Paul had confidence that the Thessalonians would do what he commanded them. (4)

6. Into what two things did Paul pray that God would direct the hearts of the Thessalonians? (5)

7. What did Paul command the Thessalonians to do toward disorderly brethren? (6)

8. The disorderly brethren did not walk after (or according to) the _____ that they had received of Paul. (6)

9. Whose example should the Thessalonians have followed? (7)

10. When did Paul work, so that he might not be chargeable to any of them? (8)

11. Why did Paul labor as he did? (9)

12. What had Paul commanded them? (10)

13. The disorderly brethren among the Thessalonians were _____ not at all, but were _____. (11)

14. Paul commanded the disorderly that with quietness they _____ and _____ their _____ _____. (12)

15. "Brethren, be not _____ in _____ _____." (13)

16. Paul told the Thessalonians that if any may would not obey this epistle to "note that man, and _____ ____ _____ with him." (14)

17. Why were they to do this? (14)

18. Nonetheless, they were not to count him "as an _____ but to _____ _____ as a _____". (15)