1 Thessaloníans Seríes Lesson #015 November 18, 2014

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Trusting God: Confidence; Fear Not 1 Thessalonians 1:8

THEREFORE, COMFORT ONE ANOTHER WITH THESE WORDS

1 Thess. 1:8, "For from you the word of the Lord has sounded forth, not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place. Your <u>faith toward God</u> has gone out, so that we do not need to say anything."

πίστις *pistis* nom fem sing faith, belief, trust; value; proof

Isa. 40:31, "But those who <u>wait</u> on the LORD Shall renew their strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint."

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piel wawConsec 1 com sing "to wait for, hope" Anthropomorphism is a figure of speech that attributes to God physical characteristics of a human body which He does not actually possess in order to communicate to man God's plans and purposes. Isa. 40:28, "Have you not known? Have you not heard? The everlasting God, the LORD, The Creator of the ends of the earth, Neither faints nor is weary. His understanding is unsearchable."

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Chapter 40 focuses on present hope in light of future deliverance.

Isa. 40:12,

"Who has measured the waters in the hollow of His hand? Measured heaven with a span? And calculated the dust of the earth in a measure? Weighed the mountains in scales? And the hills in a balance?" Isa. 40:13,

"Who has directed the Spirit of the LORD, Or as His counselor has taught Him?"

Isa. 40:14,

"With whom did He take counsel, and who instructed Him,

And taught Him in the path of justice?

Who taught Him knowledge, and showed Him the way of understanding?"

Isa. 40:15, "Behold, the nations are as a drop in a bucket, and are counted as the small dust on the scales; Look, He lifts up the isles as a very little thing.

Isa. 40:16, "And Lebanon is not sufficient to burn, nor its beasts sufficient for a burnt offering.

Isa. 40:17, "All nations before Him are as nothing, and they are counted by Him less than nothing and worthless."

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Isa. 40:18, "To whom then will you liken God? Or what likeness will you compare to Him?

Isa. 40:19, "The workman molds an image, The goldsmith overspreads it with gold, and the silversmith casts silver chains.

Isa. 40:20, "Whoever is too impoverished for such a contribution chooses a tree that will not rot; he seeks for himself a skillful workman to prepare a carved image that will not totter." Isa. 40:21, "Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?

Isa. 40:22, "It is He who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers, Who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them out like a tent to dwell in." Isa. 40:23, "He brings the princes to nothing; He makes the judges of the earth useless.

Isa. 40:24, "Scarcely shall they be planted, scarcely shall they be sown, scarcely shall their stock take root in the earth, when He will also blow on them, and they will wither, and the whirlwind will take them away like stubble." Isa. 40:25, " 'To whom then will you liken Me, or to whom shall I be equal?' says the Holy One.

Isa. 40:26, "Lift up your eyes on high, and see who has created these things, Who brings out their host by number; He calls them all by name, by the greatness of His might and the strength of His power; not one is missing." Isa. 40:27, "Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel: 'My way is hidden from the LORD, and my just claim is passed over by my God'?" Isa. 40:28, "Have you not known? Have you not heard? The everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, neither faints nor is weary. His understanding is unsearchable.

Isa. 40:29, "He gives power to the weak, and to those who have no might He increases strength.

Isa. 40:30, "Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall,

Isa. 40:31, "But those who wait on the LORD shall renew their strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint."

Gen. 18:25, "The Judge of all the earth will do right."

Isa. 41:10, "Fear not, for I am with you; Be not dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, Yes, I will help you, I will uphold you with My righteous right hand." STEP ONE: Claim a Promise STEP TWO: Think through the doctrinal rationales embedded in the promise STEP THREE: Appropriate the doctrinal conclusions Isa. 41:10, "Fear not, for I am with you; Be not dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, Yes, I will help you, I will uphold you with My righteous right hand."

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