



Standing Firm!

**Overview of 2 Thessalonians:
Standing Firm in the Word (Doctrine)**
2 Thessalonians 2:1-12 NKJV
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INTRODUCTION

Standing in the Word is being committed to what the Word says.

In theological circles - refers to the Doctrine of the Word.

What Is Doctrine?

Dictionary — *Doctrine is a belief or set of beliefs held and taught by a church, political party, or other group.*

Wikipedia — *Doctrine is a codification of beliefs or a body of teachings or instructions, taught principles or positions, as the essence of teachings in a given branch.*

Biblically — Doctrine refers to the entire body of essential theological truths that define and describe that message.

† 1 Timothy 4:16 NKJV

Doctrine (Greek, *didaskalia*) — *means instructions or teachings.*

Doctrine — is about the teachings in the Word of God!

Standing Firm in Doctrine — *means I understand the basic fundamental truths of the Gospel!*

Standing Firm in Doctrine — only affirms and strengthens the fundamental truth of the Gospel message ... Jesus Love Me!!!

STAND FIRM IN WORD/DOCTRINE IN THREE WAYS:

1. UNDERSTANDING _____

- Second Coming and Rapture
 - † 2 Thessalonians 2:1 NKJV
 - † Clarifies in 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
- False Teacher and Prediction
 - † 2 Thessalonians 2:2 NKJV
- Deception about the Apostasy and the Anti-Christ
 - † 2 Thessalonians 2:3-4 NKJV

2. UNDERSTANDING _____ (Holy Spirit)

- The Power that Restrains – *the restraining power is the Holy Spirit*
 - † 2 Thessalonians 2:5-6 NKJV
- The Power that Remains
 - † 2 Thessalonians 2:7 NKJV
- The Power that Reveals
 - † 2 Thessalonians 2:8 NKJV

3. UNDERSTANDING THE _____

- **The Work of Satan**
 - ⊗ The Work of Seduction
 - 2 Thessalonians 2:9 NKJV
 - ⊗ The Work of Deception
 - 2 Thessalonians 2:10 NKJV
- **The Work of God**
 - The Work of Delusion
 - 2 Thessalonians 2:11 NKJV
 - The Work of Condemnation
 - 2 Thessalonians 2:12 NKJV