

# VICTORY FORMATION

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“The Gathering” part 4

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**2 Thessalonians 1: 5-10**— It is clear evidence of God’s righteous judgment that you will be counted worthy of God’s kingdom, for which you also are suffering, 6 since it is just for God to repay with affliction those who afflict you 7 and to give relief to you who are afflicted, along with us. This will take place at the revelation of the Lord Jesus from heaven with His powerful angels, 8 when He takes vengeance with flaming fire on those who don’t know God and on those who don’t obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. 9 They will pay the penalty of eternal destruction from the Lord’s presence and from his glorious strength 10 on that day when He comes to be glorified by his saints and to be marveled at by all those who have believed, because our testimony among you was believed.

**1. We stand together in VICTORY, not FEAR.**

**2 Thessalonians 2: 1-2**—Now concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered to him: We ask you, brothers and sisters, 2 not to be easily upset or troubled, either by a prophecy or by a message or by a letter supposedly from us, alleging that the day of the Lord has come.

**2. We stand in victory because God has a PLAN.**

**2 Thessalonians 2: 3**—Don’t let anyone deceive you in any way. For that day will not come unless the apostasy comes first and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the man doomed to destruction.

1. God is in CONTROL – vs. 6
2. God’s Plan is in MOTION – vs. 7
3. APOSTASY...GATHERING of the believers....Rise of the ANTICHRIST... JUDGMENT on the world...VICTORIOUS RETURN of Jesus

**v6-12**— And you know what currently restrains him, so that he will be revealed in his time. 7 For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work, but the one now restraining will do so until he is out of the way, 8 and then the lawless one will be revealed. The Lord Jesus will destroy him with the breath of His mouth and will bring him to nothing at the appearance of His coming. 9 The coming of the lawless one is based on Satan’s working, with every kind of miracle, both signs and wonders serving the lie, 10 and with every wicked deception among those who are perishing. They perish because they did not accept the love of the truth and so be saved. 11 For this reason God sends them a strong delusion so that they will believe the lie, 12 so that all will be condemned— those who did not believe the truth but delighted in unrighteousness.

**Other Key Verses:**

1 Timothy 4: 1-2

2 Timothy 3: 1-5

[Hebrews 1:2](#)

[2 Peter 3:3](#)

1 Corinthians 15: 51-52

[1 Thessalonians 4:16-17](#)

[1 John 2:18.](#)

**BIG TAKE AWAY:**

As we stand together in victory formation...

Remember that you are CHOSEN by the LORD so STAND firm in your faith and Get to WORK for Him!

**2 Thessalonians 2: 13-17**—But we ought to thank God always for you, brothers and sisters loved by the Lord, because from the beginning God has chosen you for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. 14 He called you to this through our gospel, so that you might obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. 15 So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold to the traditions you were taught, whether by what we said or what we wrote. 16 May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who has loved us and given us eternal encouragement and good hope by grace, 17 encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good work and word.

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**If you are ready to receive Jesus as Savior and make Him the Lord of your life, just pray something like this:**

**Jesus, I'm giving up control of my life. Please forgive me of my sins and take control. I ask You to be the Lord of my life. I believe You died for my sins, rose from the dead, and are coming back someday. I want to live my life for You. Thank You for giving me another chance to make things right. AMEN**

If you have made the decision to follow Jesus today, please text the word **"NEXT"** to **573-340-4037**.