

January 1	I Thessalonians 1	March 2	I Corinthians 15:9-31	May 2	Romans 1:1-16
January 2	I Thessalonians 2	March 3	I Corinthians 15:32-58	May 3	Romans 1:1-16
January 3	I Thessalonians 3	March 4	I Corinthians 15:32-58	May 4	Romans 1:17-32
January 4	I Thessalonians 4	March 5	I Corinthians 16:1-12	May 5	Romans 1:17-32
January 5	I Thessalonians 5	March 6	I Corinthians 16:13-24	May 6	Romans 1:1-32
January 6	I Thessalonians 1 & 2	March 7	I Corinthians 16:1-24	May 7	Romans 2:1-11
January 7	I Thessalonians 3 & 4	March 8	II Corinthians 1:1-12	May 8	Romans 2:11-20
January 8	I Thessalonians 5 & II Thessalonians 1	March 9	II Corinthians 1:13-24	May 9	Romans 2:21-29
January 9	II Thessalonians 2	March 10	II Corinthians 1:1-24	May 10	Romans 1:1-32
January 10	II Thessalonians 3	March 11	II Corinthians 2:1-17	May 11	Romans 2:1-11
January 11	II Thessalonians 1 and 2	March 12	II Corinthians 2:1-17	May 12	Romans 2:11-20
January 12	II Thessalonians 3	March 13	II Corinthians 3:1-9	May 13	Romans 2:21-29
January 13	I Corinthians 1:1-9	March 14	II Corinthians 3:10-18	May 14	Romans 2:1-29
January 14	I Corinthians 1:10-21	March 15	II Corinthians 3:1-18	May 15	Romans 3:1-10
January 15	I Corinthians 1:22-31	March 16	II Corinthians 3:10-18	May 16	Romans 3:1-10
January 16	I Corinthians 1:1-9	March 17	II Corinthians 4:1-7	May 17	Romans 3:11-20
January 17	I Corinthians 1:10-21	March 18	II Corinthians 4:8-16	May 18	Romans 3:20-31
January 18	I Corinthians 1:22-31	March 19	II Corinthians 4:1-8	May 19	Romans 4:1-15
January 19	I Corinthians 2:1-8	March 20	II Corinthians 4:9-16	May 20	Romans 4:16-25
January 20	I Corinthians 2:9-16	March 21	II Corinthians 4:17-5:4	May 21	Romans 4:1-25
January 21	I Corinthians 2:1-8	March 22	II Corinthians 4:17-5:4	May 22	Romans 1:1-32
January 22	I Corinthians 2:9-16	March 23	II Corinthians 5:5-15	May 23	Romans 2:1-29
January 23	I Corinthians 2:1-8	March 24	II Corinthians 5:16-21	May 24	Romans 3:1-31
January 24	I Corinthians 2:9-16	March 25	II Corinthians 5:1-21	May 25	Romans 4:1-25
January 25	I Corinthians 2:9 – 3:3	March 26	II Corinthians 6:1-10	May 26	Romans 5:1
January 26	I Corinthians 3:1-9	March 27	II Corinthians 6:11-18	May 27	Romans 5:1-8
January 27	I Corinthians 3:10-20	March 28	II Corinthians 6:1-18	May 28	Romans 5:9-21
January 28	I Corinthians 3:21-4:7	March 29	II Corinthians 7	May 29	Romans 5:1-21
January 29	I Corinthians 4:8-21	March 30	II Corinthians 8	May 30	Romans 5:1-21
January 30	I Corinthians 4:1-7	March 31	II Corinthians 9	May 31	Romans 6:1-2
January 31	I Corinthians 4:8-21	April 1	II Corinthians 10:1-13	June 1	Romans 6:3-5
February 1	I Corinthians 5:1-8	April 2	II Corinthians 10:14-11:12	June 2	Romans 6:6-14
February 2	I Corinthians 5:9-13	April 3	II Corinthians 11:13-33	June 3	Romans 6:15-23; 7:1-4
February 3	I Corinthians 6:1-8	April 4	II Corinthians 12:1-14	June 4	Romans 7:1-4
February 4	I Corinthians 6:9-20	April 5	II Corinthians 12:15-21	June 5	Romans 7:5-13
February 5	I Corinthians 6:1-8	April 6	II Corinthians 13:1-4	June 6	Romans 7:14-25; 8:1
February 6	I Corinthians 6:9-20	April 7	II Corinthians 13:5-14	June 7	Romans 8:1-4
February 7	I Corinthians 6:1-8	April 8	Galatians 1:1-12	June 8	Romans 8:5-8
February 8	I Corinthians 6:9-20	April 9	Galatians 1:13-23	June 9	Romans 8:9-11
February 9	I Corinthians 7:1-16	April 10	Galatians 2:1-21	June 10	Romans 8:12-14
February 10	I Corinthians 7:17-40	April 11	Galatians 2:1-21	June 11	Romans 8:15-16
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February 15	I Corinthians 9:1-18	April 16	Galatians 3:22-29	June 16	Romans 8:28-30
February 16	I Corinthians 9:19-27	April 17	Galatians 4:1-31	June 17	Romans 8:31-39; 9:1-3
February 17	I Corinthians 10:1-4	April 18	Galatians 5:1-26	June 18	Romans 9:1-18
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February 19	I Corinthians 10:16-11:2	April 20	Galatians 1:1-23	June 20	Romans 10:1-13
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February 21	I Corinthians 11:17-34	April 22	Galatians 3:1-29	June 22	Romans 10:1-13
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There's something exciting about "reading someone else's mail" isn't there? That's exactly what we're going to be doing in 2012. We're going to spend a year studying the letters of Paul in the New Testament. Why am I calling this study, "reading someone else's mail?" These letters from Paul were not written to us. When we read them, we are initially prying into someone else's business. When you read the book of Colossians, you are reading a real letter that was written to a real church in a real city called Colossae. When you read the books of Thessalonians, you are reading real letters written to a real church in the city of Thessalonica. The Apostle Paul lived in the first century. The majority of the New Testament books are letters written by him to churches.

Yet, while we're calling this study, "reading someone else's mail", the truth is, these letters are for you and me as well. God continues to speak to us through these old letters. This is our business too. They were not only for the churches of the first century, but, because the real Author of these letters is the Holy Spirit, they are also written to Levy Baptist Church, North Little Rock, AR!

We are going to study these letters in the order in which they were written, and not in the order in which they appear in the New Testament. So, while Romans is the first epistle chronologically in the New Testament, I Thessalonians was written first. So, we'll begin with I and II Thessalonians.

Several years ago I began studying smaller books of the Bible, like Philippians, for example, by reading it every day for one month. Friend, when you read the Bible that way, you'll know that book by the end of the month! In "reading someone else's mail", I'm not suggesting you read an entire book each day, but I am recommending that we read the same passages again and again before we move on to the next letter. The temptation might be to say, "I'm not going to do my readings today. I read that passage yesterday." But, I'd encourage you to read each passage each day. You will find that the Holy Spirit will have a new message for you each time you read His Word.

The Apostle Paul exhorted Christians to imitate Christ by imitating him. So, we need to find Paul and follow

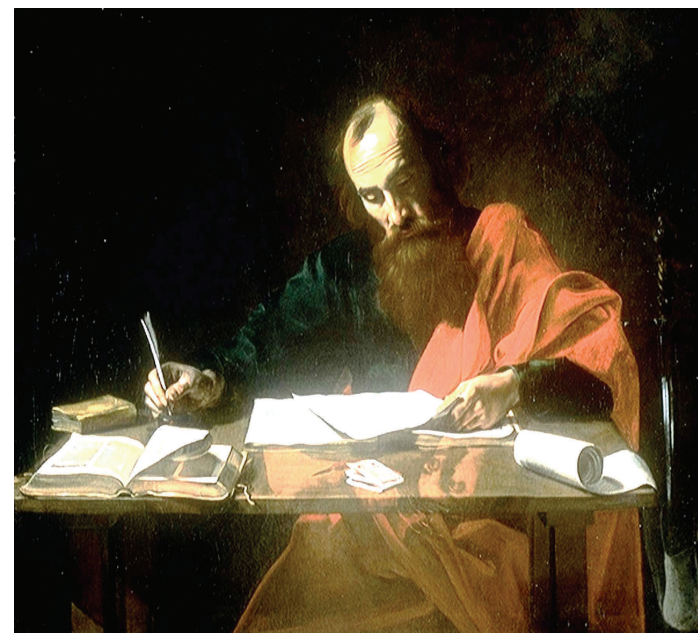
him. Paul left us no autobiography, so the best way to find Paul is to examine his letters. Paul was known for addressing issues head-on, so Paul's letters also help us with some of the problems we face today.

This year's Enter His Gates Devotionals are written to follow the same theme as our Bible readings. Each day's devotional will be taken from a scripture in that day's Bible reading. On Sundays and Wednesdays, I'll be preaching from the passages we've read together that week.

I pray that you'll be blessed as we "read someone else's mail" and discover God's Word for us today, in ancient letters.

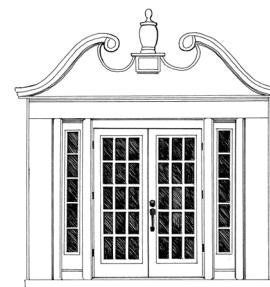
Blessings to you as you follow Him,

Steven Tiner



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