"Final Exhortations and Farewell" 1 Thessalonians 5:23-28

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 - a. He prays for their sanctification (vs. 23a)
 - b. He prays that their whole persons would be preserved complete at the rapture (vs. 23b).
 - c. (vs. 24) He believes his prayer will be answered.

- B. Two things for the Thessalonians to do (1Th. 5:25-26).
 - 1. (vs. 25) Paul said, "Brethren, pray for us."
 - 2. (vs. 26) He added, "Greet all the brethren with a holy kiss."

- C. The importance of this letter; grace for living (1Th. 5:27-28).
 - 1. (vs. 27) Notice the urgency: "I adjure you by the Lord to have this letter read to all the brethren."
 - 2. (vs. 28) What is essential to the Christian life: "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you."