NEVER TIRE OF DOING WHAT IS GOOD

2 Thessalonians 3:1–18

Key Verse: 3:13

1. In this world where evil prevails, what two prayer requests did Paul make, and why? (1,2) What contrast did he make between people and the Lord? (2,3) What was his confidence? (4) His prayer? (5)
2. What did the apostles command the Thessalonian believers? (6) How had they taught them about this by their own example? (6b–10) Why is it so important to provide for ourselves and not depend on the generosity of fellow Christians? (1Th4:12)
3. What had the apostles heard? (11; cf. verse 6) Why do idle people tend to be disruptive also? What does it mean to be a “busybody?” What did the apostles command and urge such people? (12) Read verse 13. What did they say to the rest of them? Why was it necessary for him to say this to them, and how can we live this way?
4. What did Paul say to do with people who refused to listen to the apostles’ instructions? (14,15; see verse 6 again also) What is the goal of this?
5. How did Paul bless them? (16) Why is having this peace so important? What did he say about his writing the letter, and why? (17) What was his final greeting? (18)