

Living in the Last Days, Pt. 3
Praying Passionately, 1 Thess. 2:17-3:13
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1) _____ the springs of passion within me.

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But, brothers, when we were torn away from you for a short time (in person, not in thought), out of our intense longing we made every effort to see you. 1 Thes. 2:17

For this reason, when I could stand it no longer, I sent to find out about your faith. I was afraid that in some way the tempter might have tempted you and our efforts might have been useless. 1 Thes. 3:5

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so that no one would be unsettled by these trials. You know quite well that we were destined for them. In fact, when we were with you, we kept telling you that we would be persecuted. And it turned out that way, as you well know. 1 Thes. 3:3-4

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But Timothy has just now come to us from you and has brought good news about your faith and love. He has told us that you always have pleasant memories of us and that you long to see us, just as we also long to see you. Therefore, brothers, in all our distress and persecution we were encouraged about you because of your faith. For now we really live, since you are standing firm in the Lord. How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy we have in the presence of our God because of you? 1 Thes. 3:6-9

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Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you again and supply what is lacking in your faith. 1 Thes. 3:10

2) Tell God my _____

May God our Father himself and our Master Jesus clear the road to you!
1 Thes. 3:11 (Mes)

3) Ask God to _____

And may the Master pour on the love so it fills your lives and splashes over on everyone around you, just as it does from us to you. 1 Thes. 3:12
(Mes)

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Galatians 5:22-23

4) _____ to strengthen my heart.

May he strengthen your hearts...1 Thes. 3:13a

For the eyes of the Lord range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him. 2 Chron. 16:9

I call with all my heart; answer me, O Lord, and I will obey your decrees.
Psalm 119:145

5) _____ my ultimate goal.

...so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones. 1 Thes. 3:13b

- **Blameless** = _____
- **Holy** = _____
- **Presence of God** = _____