Now, about the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and our gathering to him,
we ask you, brethren That ye be not quickly changing your mind, or be troubled, not by spirit, nor by word,
nor by letter as from us, as though the day of Christ could come at any time.
Let no man deceive you by any means: He will not come without a falling away First
and the revealing of that man of sin, the son of destruction;
Who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped;
so that he sits as God in the temple of God, exhibiting himself as God.
Don’t you remember that when I was with you, I told you these things?
And now you know he is restrained that he might be revealed in his season.
For the mystery of the wicked one already works: only he is now restrained, ‘til he be taken out of the way.
And then shall that wicked one be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth,
and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:
Him whose coming is according to the working of Satan with all power and signs
and lying miracles with all deceit of unrighteousness in them that perish;
because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.
And for this cause God shall send them an strong delusion, that they should believe a lie:
That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.
But we are bound to give thanks to God always for you, brothers, whom the Lord loves,
because God has chosen you for salvation from the beginning through cleansing of the Spirit and belief of the truth:
Whereunto he called you by our gospel, to the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Therefore, brothers, stand fast, and hold the teachings which you have been taught, whether by word, or by our epistle.
Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, which has loved us,
and has given us eternal consolation and good hope through grace,
Comfort your hearts, and establish you in every good word and work.