

# Letter to the Thessalonians:

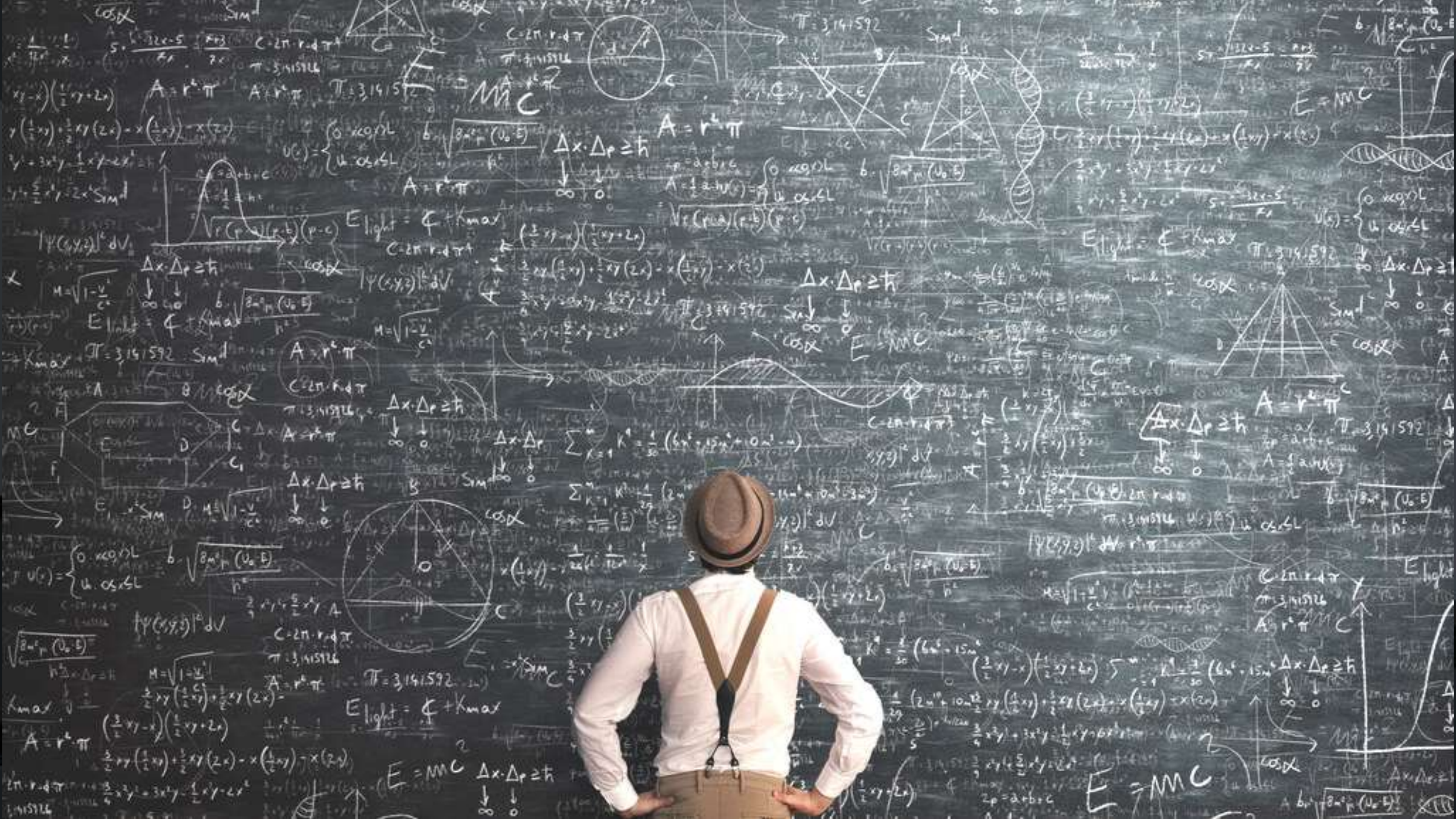
To the church of the Thessalonians:

Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely, and may your entire spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The One who calls you is faithful, and He will do it.

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Matthew 24 – The Olivet Discourse (Mark 13; Luke 21, 17)

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## Daniel 12

3 Then the wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness will shine like the stars forever and ever.

## Job 19

25 For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth.

26 And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God,

27 whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another.

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## Isaiah 65

20 No more shall there be in it (Jerusalem) an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed.

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12"From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and violent men **take it by force**.

## John 10

27"My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me; 28 and I give eternal life to them, and they will never perish; and no one will **snatch** them **out** of My hand.

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18 Jael went out to **greet** Sisera and said to him,

“Come in, my lord. Come in with me. Do not be afraid.”

**So he entered her tent**, and she covered him with a blanket.

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21 But as he lay sleeping from exhaustion, Heber's wife Jael took a tent peg, grabbed a hammer, and went silently to Sisera.

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14 ...And so we came to Rome.

15 The brothers there had heard about us and traveled as far as the Forum of Appius and the Three Taverns to **meet** us. When Paul saw them, he was encouraged and gave thanks to God.

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And so we will always be with the Lord.

18 Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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