## HOW SHOULD WE PRAY FOR OUR PASTORS? LEARNING FROM PAUL'S EXAMPLE

2 Thessalonians 3:1-3

- I. PRAY FOR THE WORD TO GO OUT GLORIOUSLY AND FOR RESCUE FROM THOSE OPPOSED: Paul requests that these Thessalonians pray for him and his companions that the Word would run rapidly and produces a glorious response and for rescue from the those without faith (1-2)
  - A. Paul asks for prayer that the Word through him would rapidly dissemination and have glorious response (1)
  - That the Word would run rapidly (1a)
     That it would produce a glorious response, just like with you Thessalonians (1b, 1Thes.)
     Paul asks for prayer that the Lord would rescue them from unreasonable and wicked men, those without true faith (2)
- II. PRAY WE WOULD TRUST IN OUR FAITHFUL LORD TO STRENGTHEN AND GUARD US FROM THE EVIL ONE: Paul exhibits an encouraging faith based on the Lord's faithfulness (3)
  - A. The Lord is faithful! (3a)
  - B. He will thus strengthen and guard us from the evil one (the one behind those persecuting you) (3b)