

1 Thes. 2:13-16

¹³. And because of this, we also give thanks to God continuously – by receiving from us the Word of the message of God, you did not accept/receive the word of man, but just as it truly is, you accepted/received the Word of God, which is active and effective in the midst of you who believe. ¹⁴. For, brothers, you became imitators of the churches of God in Judea in Christ Jesus. Because you also suffered the same things under your own countrymen, just as they [did] under the Jews. ¹⁵. They killed the Lord Jesus and the prophets. And they pursued/harassed/persecuted us/drove us out. And they were not pleasing to God. And they were being hostile to all people. ¹⁶. They prevented/hindered us to speak to the gentiles/nations so that they may be saved. With the result that they always fill up/complete their sins. And the wrath has arrived upon them to the full.