



A Refocused Heart

2 Thessalonians 3

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- ▲ *There are duties to be done*
- ▲ *There are disbelieving dudes to be dealt with*
- ▲ *There's a dirty devil to be defeated*

Dear heart, look away!

⁵ **May the Lord direct your hearts into God's love and Christ's perseverance.**

- ▲ *Is your heart fixated on difficulties?*
- ▲ *Is your heart flooded with discouragement?*
- ▲ *Is your heart fooled by deceptive desires?*
- ▲ *Is your heart floundering in despair?*

Dear heart, look above!

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- ▲ *Remember and revisit God's love*
- ▲ *Really receive God's love*
- ▲ *Revel and relish and rejoice in God's love*
- ▲ *Respond and reciprocate God's love*
- ▲ *Reflect and release God's love*

Dear heart, look ahead!

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- ▲ *Follow the example of Christ*
- ▲ *Be filled and fortified with the energy of Christ*
- ▲ *Forge forward with endurance and conviction*
- ▲ *Face the future with expectation and clarity*