Northwest Bible Church – Oct. 8, 2023 – 1 Thess. – Alan Conner

**1 Thess. 5:25-28**

Closing Remarks

Intro

**A. WE NEED PRAYER (1 Thess. 5:25).**

 1. Paul’s request for prayer.

 2. Paul believed in the efficacy of prayer.

 3. Paul’s circumstances in Corinth. 1Th. 3:6-7

**B. GREET ALL THE BRETHREN (1 Thess. 5:26).**

 1. Greet all the brethren.

 2. Holy kiss.

**C. READ THIS LETTER (1 Thess. 5:27).**

 1. I adjure you by the Lord –

 2. Read this letter to all the brethren.

**D. GRACE BE WITH YOU (1 Thess. 5:28).**

1. Paul closes all his letter with a similar benediction toward the end.

 2. The meaning of grace.

 3. Grace that comes to us through Christ.

Conclusion

*Discussion questions - Why is prayer so important in the Christian life? Why is prayer often neglected? What is the importance of the ministry of greeting? Why does Paul want his letter read to all the brethren? What is “grace” and why is it important? What practical lessons should we take from these closing remarks?*