



'I cannot and will not recant anything for to go against conscience is neither right nor safe. **Here I stand**, I cannot do otherwise. God help me. Amen'

Luther: a potted history.

1505: student at university; enters monastic life.

1512: doctorate in theology

1517: attention drawn to sale of indulgences

1517 (Oct 31st): nailed 95 theses to door

1519: Definite enlightening with understanding of Rom 1:16-17.

1521: Diet of Worms ('Here I stand')

2 Thess 2:15

An exhortation to Stand Firm

4 Reminders

1. What a Christian is

v13 beloved by the Lord and chosen for salvation

2. How a person becomes a Christian

v13 through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth

4 Reminders

3. The Marks of a Christian.

v16 Someone who speaks of the Lord Jesus and God the Father in personal terms.

4. The future

V14 to share in His glory!

Our task now

v 15: Stand firm and hold fast

3 v 1: Pray for each other and our world

*Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself,
and our God and Father who has loved
us and given us everlasting consolation
and good hope by grace, comfort your
hearts and establish you in every good
word and work.*

2 Thess 2 v 16-17