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2020 Bible Reading Plan: The New Testament!!!

Will you join us? IN FELLOWSHIP WITH SOMEONE?

Week #12: 1 Thessalonians 3-5 & 2 Thessalonians 1-2

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