

2 TIMOTHY

Chapter 1

1 ¶ Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, according to the ^apromise of life that is in Christ Jesus, **2** to Timothy, a dearly ^bbeloved son: Grace, mercy *and* peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

Encouragement for Faithfulness

3 ¶ I thank God whom I serve with a pure conscience as my ^cforefathers did, that without ceasing I remember you in my prayers night and day, **4** greatly desiring to see you, being mindful of your tears, so that I may be filled with joy,

5 when I call to remembrance ^dthe genuine faith that is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and ^eyour mother Eunice, and I am persuaded that *it is* in you also.

6 Therefore, I remind you that you ^fstir up the gift of God that is in you by the laying on of my hands.

7 For ^gGod has not given us a spirit of fear, ^hbut of power and of love and of a sound mind.

8 ¶ ⁱTherefore, do not be ashamed of ^jthe testimony of our Lord, nor of me ^kHis prisoner. But share with me in the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God,

9 who has saved us and called *us* with a holy calling, ^lnot according to our works, but ^maccording to His own

purpose and grace that was given to us in Christ Jesus ⁿbefore time began,

10 but ^ohas now been revealed by the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who has abolished death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

11 ^pTo this *gospel* I am appointed a preacher and an apostle and a teacher.

12 For this reason I also suffer these things. Nevertheless, I am not ashamed, ^qfor I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that day.

13 ¶ ^rHold fast ^sthe pattern of ^tsound words that you have heard from me, in faith and love that is in Christ Jesus.

14 The good thing that was committed to you, keep by the Holy Spirit who dwells in us.

15 This you know, that all those who are in Asia turned away from me, of whom are Phygelus and Hermogenes.

16 The Lord grant mercy to the ^uhouse of Onesiphorus, for he often refreshed me and was not ashamed of my chains.

17 But when he was in Rome, he eagerly sought me out and found *me*.

18 The Lord ^vgrant to him that he may find mercy from the Lord ^win

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that day. You know very well how many things he ministered to me at Ephesus.

Chapter 2

1 ¶ You therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.

2 And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, the same commit to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.

3 You therefore endure hardship as a good soldier of Christ Jesus.

4 No man engaged in warfare entangles himself with the affairs of this life, so that he may please him who enlisted him as a soldier.

5 And if a man competes as an athlete, he is not crowned unless he competes lawfully.

6 The laboring farmer must be the first to partake of the fruits.

7 Consider what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in all things.

8 Remember that Jesus Christ of the seed of David was raised from the dead according to my gospel,

9 for which I suffer harship even as an evildoer unto bonds. But the word of God is not bound.

10 Therefore, I endure all things for the elects' sake, that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.

11 This is a faithful saying: For if we died with Him, we will also live with Him.

12 If we suffer, we will also reign with Him. If we deny Him, He will also deny us.

13 If we are faithless, He remains faithful. He cannot deny Himself.

Faithful Workers for God

14 ¶ Remind them of these things, charging them before the Lord that they do not strive about words to no profit, to the ruin of the hearers.

15 Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

16 But avoid profane and empty babblings, for they will increase to more ungodliness.

17 And their word will spread like gangrene. Among them are Hymenaeus and Philetus,

18 who concerning the truth have strayed, saying that the resurrection is already past. And they overthrow the faith of some.

19 Nevertheless, the firm foundation of God stands, having this seal, "The Lord knows those who are His." And, "Let everyone who names the name of the Lord depart from iniquity."

20 But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth, and some to honor and some to dishonor.

21 Therefore, if a man cleanses himself from these, he will be a vessel to honor, sanctified and useful for the Master, prepared for every good work.

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22 ^bFlee also youthful lusts. But pursue righteousness, faith, love *and* peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

23 But avoid foolish and unlearned questions, knowing that they generate strife.

24 And ^cthe servant of the Lord must not quarrel, but be gentle to all, ^dable to teach, ^epatient,

25 ^fin meekness instructing those who oppose themselves, ^gif God perhaps will grant them repentance ^hleading to a full knowledge of the truth,

26 and *that* they may come to their senses ⁱout of the snare of the devil, having been held captive by him to *do* his will.

Chapter 3

Perilous Times

1 ¶ Know this also, that ^ain the last days perilous times will come.

2 For men will be lovers of themselves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,

3 unloving, irreconcilable, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, haters of good,

4 ^btreacherous, reckless, conceited, lovers of pleasures rather than lovers of God,

5 ^chaving a form of godliness, but ^ddenying the power thereof. And ^efrom such *people* turn away.

6 For ^fof these are those who creep into houses and lead captive gullible

women weighed down with sins, led away with various lusts,

7 always learning and never able ^gto come to the knowledge of the truth.

8 ^hNow as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth—ⁱmen of corrupt minds, ^jrejected concerning the faith.

9 But they will proceed no further, for their folly will be manifested to all *men* ^kas theirs also was.

Charge to Timothy

10 ¶ ^lBut you have fully known my teaching, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, patience,

11 persecutions, afflictions, which came to me ^mat Antioch, ⁿat Iconium, and ^oat Lystra—what persecutions I endured. But ^pout of *them* all the Lord delivered me.

12 Yes, and ^qall who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution.

13 ^rBut evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived.

14 But you ^scontinue in the things that you have learned and have been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned *them*,

15 and that from a child you have known ^tthe Holy Scriptures that are able to make you wise unto salvation through faith that is in Christ Jesus.

16 ^uAll Scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, ^vand *is* profitable for

b 1 Tm 6:11 c Ti 3:2 d Ti 1:9 e 1 Tm 3:3 f Gl 6:1 g At 8:22 h 1 Tm 2:4 i 1 Tm 3:7 Chapter 3: a 1 Tm 4:1 b 2 Pt 2:10 c Ti 1:16 d 1 Tm 5:8 e 2 Th 3:6 f Mt 23:14 g 1 Tm 2:4 h Ex 7:11,12,22; 8:7; 9:11 i 1 Tm 6:5 j Rm 1:28 k Ex 7:11,12; 8:18; 9:11 l 1 Tm 4:6 m At 13:44-52 n At 14:1-6,19 o At 14:8-20 p Ps 34:19 q Ps 34:19 r 2 Th 2:11 s 2 Tm 1:13 t Jn 5:39 u 2 Pt 1:20 v Rm 4:23; 15:4

teaching, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness,

17 so ^wthat the man of God may be complete, ^xthoroughly equipped for every good work.

Chapter 4

1 ¶ I ^acharge *you* before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, ^bwho will judge the living and the dead by His appearing and His kingdom.

2 Preach the word! Be ready in season *and* out of season. ^cReprove, ^drebuke, ^eexhort with all longsuffering and teaching.

3 ^fFor the time will come when they will not endure ^gsound teaching. ^hBut to suit their itching ears, they will surround themselves *with* teachers who will agree with their own desires.

4 And they will turn away *their* ears from the truth and ⁱwill be turned to fables.

5 But you watch in all things. ^jEndure afflictions. Do the work of ^kan evangelist. Fulfill your ministry.

6 ¶ For ^lI am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of ^mmy departure is at hand.

7 ⁿI have fought the good fight. I have finished *my* course. I have kept the faith.

8 Finally, there is laid up for me ^oa crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous ^pjudge, will give me ^qat that day, and not only to me, but also to all those who have loved His appearing.

Personal Greetings

9 ¶ Be diligent to come to me soon,

10 for ^rDemas has forsaken me, ^shaving loved this present world, and has departed to Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia.

11 Only Luke is with me. Get ^tMark and bring him with you, for he is profitable to me for the ministry.

12 And ^uTychicus I have sent to Ephesus.

13 The cloak that I left at Troas for Carpus, bring *it* when you come, and the scrolls, especially the parchments.

14 ^vAlexander the coppersmith did me much evil. May the Lord reward him according to his works.

15 You also must be on guard against him, for he has greatly opposed our words.

16 At my first defense no one stood with me, but all *men* forsook me. ^wMay it not be counted against me.

17 ¶ ^xBut the Lord stood with me and strengthened me, ^yso that through me the preaching might be fully accomplished, and *that* all the Gentiles might hear. And I was delivered ^zout of the mouth of the lion.

18 ^aAnd the Lord will deliver me from every evil work, and will preserve *me* unto His heavenly kingdom. ^bTo Him *be* glory forever and ever. Amen.

19 ¶ Salute ^cPrisca and Aquila, and the household of ^dOnesiphorus.

20 ^eErastus remained at Corinth, but

w 1 Tm 6:11 x 2 Tm 2:21 Chapter 4: a 1 Tm 5:21 b At 10:42 c Ti 2:15 d 1 Tm 5:20 e 1 Tm 4:13 f 2 Tm 3:1 g 1 Tm 1:10 h 2 Tm 3:6 i 1 Tm 1:4 j 2 Tm 1:8 k At 21:8 l Ph 2:17 m Ph 1:23 n 1 Co 9:24-27 o Js 1:21 p Jn 5:22 q 2 Tm 1:12 r Cl 4:14 s 1 Jn 2:15 t At 12:12,25; 15:37-39 u At 20:4 v 1 Tm 1:20 w At 7:60 x At 23:11 y At 9:15 z 1 Sm 17:37 a Ps 121:7 b Rm 11:36 c At 18:2 d 2 Tm 1:16 e Rm 16:23

^fTrophimus I have left at Miletus sick. all the brethren.

21 Make every effort to come before winter. Eubulus greets you, and Pudens, and Linus, and Claudia, and **22** The Lord Jesus Christ *be* with your spirit. Grace *be* with you. Amen.

f At 20:4; 21:29