

The Second Epistle of Paul the Apostle to Timothy

{1:1} Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, according to the promise of life which is in Christ Jesus, {1:2} To Timothy, [my] dearly beloved son: Grace, mercy, [and] peace, from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. {1:3} I thank God, whom I serve from [my] forefathers with pure conscience, that without ceasing I have remembrance of thee in my prayers night and day; {1:4} Greatly desiring to see thee, being mindful of thy tears, that I may be filled with joy; {1:5} When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also. {1:6} Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands. {1:7} For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. {1:8} Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner: but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God; {1:9} Who hath saved us, and called [us] with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began, {1:10} But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel: {1:11} Whereunto I am appointed a preacher, and an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles. {1:12} For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day. {1:13} Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus. {1:14} That good thing which was committed unto thee keep by the Holy Ghost which dwelleth in us. {1:15} This thou knowest, that all they which are in Asia be turned away from me; of whom are Phygellus and Hermogenes. {1:16} The Lord give mercy unto the house of Onesiphorus; for he oft refreshed me, and was not ashamed of my chain: {1:17} But, when he was in Rome, he sought me out very diligently, and found [me.] {1:18} The Lord grant unto him that he may find mercy of the Lord in that day: and in how many things he ministered unto me at Ephesus, thou knowest very well.

{2:1} Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. {2:2} And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also. {2:3} Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. {2:4} No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of [this] life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier. {2:5} And if a man also strive for masteries, [yet] is he not crowned, except he strive lawfully. {2:6} The husbandman that laboureth must be first partaker of the fruits. {2:7} Consider what I say; and the Lord give thee understanding in all things. {2:8} Remember that Jesus Christ of the seed of David was raised from the dead according to my gospel: {2:9} Wherein I suffer trouble, as an evil doer, [even] unto bonds; but the word of God is not bound. {2:10} Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sakes, that they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. {2:11} [It is] a faithful saying: For if we be dead with [him,] we shall also live with [him:] {2:12} If we suffer, we shall also reign with [him:] if we deny [him,] he also will deny us: {2:13} If we

believe not, [yet] he abideth faithful: he cannot deny himself. {2:14} Of these things put [them] in remembrance, charging [them] before the Lord that they strive not about words to no profit, [but] to the subverting of the hearers. {2:15} Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. {2:16} But shun profane [and] vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness. {2:17} And their word will eat as doth a canker: of whom is Hymenaeus and Philetus; {2:18} Who concerning the truth have erred, saying that the resurrection is past already; and overthrow the faith of some. {2:19} Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity. {2:20} 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 honour, and some to dishonour. {2:21} If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, [and] prepared unto every good work. {2:22} Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart. {2:23} But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes. {2:24} And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all [men,] apt to teach, patient, {2:25} In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; {2:26} And [that] they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.

{3:1} This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. {3:2} For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, {3:3} Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, {3:4} Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; {3:5} Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away. {3:6} For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts, {3:7} Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth. {3:8} Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith. {3:9} But they shall proceed no further: for their folly shall be manifest unto all [men,] as theirs also was. {3:10} But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience, {3:11} Persecutions, afflictions, which came unto me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra; what persecutions I endured: but out of [them] all the Lord delivered me. {3:12} Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution. {3:13} But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived. {3:14} But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned [them;] {3:15} And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. {3:16} All scripture [is] given by inspiration of God, and [is] profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: {3:17} That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

{4:1} I charge [thee] therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his

appearing and his kingdom; {4:2} Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. {4:3} For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; {4:4} And they shall turn away [their] ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables. {4:5} But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry. {4:6} For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. {4:7} I have fought a good fight, I have finished [my] course, I have kept the faith: {4:8} Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.

{4:9} Do thy diligence to come shortly unto me: {4:10} For Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world, and is departed unto Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia. {4:11} Only Luke is with me. Take Mark, and bring him with thee: for he is profitable to me for the ministry. {4:12} And Tychicus have I sent to Ephesus. {4:13} The cloke that I left at Troas with Carpus, when thou comest, bring [with thee,] and the books, [but] especially the parchments. {4:14} Alexander the coppersmith did me much evil: the Lord reward him according to his works: {4:15} Of whom be thou ware also; for he hath greatly withstood our words. {4:16} At my first answer no man stood with me, but all [men] forsook me: [I pray God] that it may not be laid to their charge. {4:17} Notwithstanding the Lord stood with me, and strengthened me; that by me the preaching might be fully known, and [that] all the Gentiles might hear: and I was delivered out of the mouth of the lion. {4:18} And the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work, and will preserve [me] unto his heavenly kingdom: to whom [be] glory for ever and ever. Amen.

{4:19} Salute Prisca and Aquila, and the household of Onesiphorus. {4:20} Erastus abode at Corinth: but Trophimus have I left at Miletum sick. {4:21} Do thy diligence to come before winter. Eubulus greeteth thee, and Pudens, and Linus, and Claudia, and all the brethren.

{4:22} The Lord Jesus Christ [be] with thy spirit. Grace [be] with you. Amen.