

The Second Epistle of Paul the Apostle to Timothy

¹ Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus through a will of God, according to a promise of life which is in Christ Jesus,

² To Timothy, beloved child:

Grace, mercy, peace, from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

³ I am having thanks to God, to Whom I am ministering in clean conscience from my ancestors, as I am having unceasing remembrance about you in my requests night and day, ⁴ longing to see you, having remembered your tears, so that I might be filled with joy, ⁵ taking recollection of the unhypocritical belief which is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, but I have been persuaded that it is in you also. ⁶ For which reason I am reminding you to be rekindling the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands. ⁷ For God didn't give us a spirit of cowardice, but of power and devotion and sound thinking.

⁸ Therefore you may not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me His prisoner, but suffer ill together with the good message according to the power of God, ⁹ He having saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace – the one having been given to us in Christ Jesus before eternal times, ¹⁰ but having been manifested now through the appearance of our Savior Jesus Christ, having nullified death, but having illuminated life and incorruptibility through the good message, ¹¹ for which I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher of nations. ¹² For which reason I am also suffering these things. But I am not ashamed. For I have known Whom I have believed, and have been persuaded that He is able to guard my deposit to that day.

¹³ Be holding to an imprint of healthy words which you have heard from me, in belief and devotion which are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴ Guard the good deposit through the Holy Spirit dwelling in us.

¹⁵ You have known this: that all those in Asia turned away from me, of whom are Phygellus and Hermogenes. ¹⁶ Would that the Lord would give mercy to the house of Onesiphoros, because he many times revitalized me, and he wasn't ashamed of my chain; ¹⁷ but having been in Rome, he more diligently sought and found me. ¹⁸ Would that the Lord would give him to find mercy from the Lord in that day! And how much he served in Ephesus, you are knowing even better.

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¹ You therefore, my child, be empowered in the grace which is in Christ Jesus. ² And the things which you heard from me through many witnesses, these things impart to faithful men, who will be competent to teach others also. ³ You therefore, suffer ill, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. ⁴ No one soldiering is being entangled in the affairs of life, so that he may please the one having drafted him. ⁵ But if also anyone is competing, he isn't being crowned unless he competes lawfully. ⁶ The toiling farmer needs to be first to

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be partaking of the fruits. ⁷ Be comprehending the things which I am saying; for the Lord might give you understanding in all.

⁸ Be remembering Jesus Christ, having been raised from the dead, of the seed of David, according to my good message, ⁹ in which I am suffering ill unto chains, as an evildoer, but the Word of God hasn't been bound. ¹⁰ For this reason I am enduring all for the sake of the chosen, so that they also may obtain salvation which is in Christ Jesus with everlasting glory. ¹¹ Faithful is the word: "For if we died together, we will also live together. ¹² If we are enduring, we will also reign together. If we deny, He also will deny us. ¹³ If we are disbelieving, He remains faithful; He isn't able to deny Himself."

¹⁴ Be reminding them of these things, thoroughly testifying before the Lord not to be battling over words, toward nothing useful, upon the overturning of those hearing. ¹⁵ Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, an unashamed worker, straightly cutting the word of truth. ¹⁶ But be circumventing the profane empty voicings; for they will advance upon more impiety, ¹⁷ and their word will have a spreading like gangrene; of whom are Hymenaeus and Philetus, ¹⁸ who missed the mark concerning the Truth, saying that the resurrection has already occurred; and they are overthrowing the belief of some. ¹⁹ Nevertheless, the firm foundation of God has stood, having this seal: "The Lord knew those being His" and "Let everyone naming the name of the Lord depart from unrighteousness." ²⁰ But in a great house, there aren't only gold and silver vessels, but also wood and clay; and some for honor, but some for dishonor. ²¹ If, therefore, anyone cleanses himself from these, he will be a vessel for honor, having been made holy and useful to the Master, having been prepared for every good work. ²² But be fleeing the youthful cravings; but be pursuing righteousness, belief, devotion, peace, with those calling on the Lord from a clean heart. ²³ But reject the foolish and undisciplined disputes, having known that they are begetting battles. ²⁴ But a slave of the Lord ought not be battling, but to be mild to all, apt to teach, longsuffering, ²⁵ instructing in gentleness those opposing. Maybe God might give them a change of mind toward a recognition of truth, ²⁶ and they may regain sobriety out from the snare of the slanderer, having been caught by him for his will.

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¹ But be knowing this: that in last days dangerous seasons will ensue. ² For the people will be lovers of self, lovers of silver, braggarts, proud, defamatory, disobedient to parents, ungrateful, unholy, ³ without familial affection, implacable, slanderers, without self-control, untamed, those not loving good, ⁴ traitors, rash, having been inflated, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, ⁵ having a form of piety but having denied its power. And turn yourself from these. ⁶ For of these are those entering into the houses and captivating little women, having been piled with sins, being led by various cravings, ⁷ always learning and never able to come to a recognition of truth. ⁸ But in which manner Jannes and Jambres resisted Moses, thus these also are resisting the truth, men having been thoroughly corrupted in the mind, disapproved concerning the faith. ⁹ But they won't advance upon more, for their madness will be fully evident to all, as also that of theirs became.

¹⁰ But you followed beside my teaching, guidance, purpose, belief, patience, devotion, endurance, ¹¹ persecutions, sufferings which happened to me in Antioch, in

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Iconium, in Lystra, what persecutions I persevered under. And the Lord rescued me out of them all. ¹² But also all those wanting to live piously in Christ Jesus will be persecuted. ¹³ But evil men and sorcerers will advance upon the worse, deceiving and being deceived. ¹⁴ But you, be continuing in the things which you learned and were assured of, having known from whom you learned, ¹⁵ and that from an infant you have known the Sacred Writings which are able to make you wise relative to salvation through belief which is in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All Scripture is God-breathed and profitable toward teaching, toward reproof, toward straightening up, toward instruction which is in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the man of God should be equipped, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

2 Timothy 4

¹ I am, therefore, thoroughly testifying before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, the One about to be judging living and dead according to His appearing and His kingdom: ² proclaim the word! Stand by when opportune and inopportune. Reprove, rebuke, encourage in all patience and doctrine. ³ For a season will come when they won't put up with healthy teaching, but according to their own cravings, they will pile up teachers for themselves, tickling the hearing, ⁴ and they will turn away the hearing from the truth and be turned aside to the fables. ⁵ But you, be sober in everything, suffer ill, do the work of an evangelist, fully accept your service.

⁶ For already I am being poured out as a libation, and the season of my departure has stood by. ⁷ I have struggled the good struggle, I have completed the racecourse. I have kept the faith. ⁸ For the rest, the winner's crown of righteousness is laid away for me, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will render to me in that day; but not only to me, but also to all those having been devoted to His appearing.

⁹ Be diligent to come to me speedily. ¹⁰ For Demas forsook me, having been devoted to the present age, and went to Thessalonica, Crescens to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. ¹¹ Only Luke is with me. Having picked up Mark, be bringing him with you, for he is useful to me for service. ¹² But Tychicus I sent forth to Ephesus. ¹³ Coming, be bringing the cloak which I left in Troas with Carpus, and the scrolls, especially the parchments. ¹⁴ Alexander the coppersmith showed me much bad. May the Lord repay him according to his works, ¹⁵ whom you also be guarding against, for he has greatly resisted our words.

¹⁶ In the first phase of my defense no one came together to me, but all forsook me. May it not be accounted to them! ¹⁷ But the Lord stood by me and empowered me, so that through me, the proclamation should be fully accepted and all the nations should hear, and I was rescued out of the mouth of a lion. ¹⁸ And the Lord will rescue me from every evil work and will save me for His heavenly kingdom, to Whom is the glory into the ages of the ages. Amen.

¹⁹ Greet Prisca and Aquila and the Onesiphoras house. ²⁰ Erastus stayed in Corinth, but Trophimus I left in Miletus, he being sick. ²¹ Be diligent to come before winter. Eubulus and Pudens and Linus and Claudia and all the brethren are greeting you.

²² The Lord Jesus Christ is with your spirit. The grace is with you. Amen.