

THE SECOND EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO TIMOTHY

¹ Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, according to the promise of life which is in Christ Jesus, ² To Timothy, *my* dearly beloved son: Grace, mercy, *and* peace, from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. 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; ⁴ Greatly desiring to see thee, being mindful of thy tears, that I may be filled with joy; 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. ⁶ For which cause I put thee in remembrance, that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the imposition of my hands. ⁷ For God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. 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; ⁹ Who hath saved us, and called *us* with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given to us in Christ Jesus before the world began; ¹⁰ But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who

hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel: ¹¹ To which I am appointed a preacher, and an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles. ¹² For 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 to him against that day. ¹³ Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard from me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴ That good thing which was committed to thee keep by the Holy Spirit which dwelleth in us. ¹⁵ This thou knowest, that all they who are in Asia are turned away from me; of whom are Phygellus and Hermogenes. ¹⁶ The Lord give mercy to the house of Onesiphorus; for he often refreshed me, and was not ashamed of my chain: ¹⁷ But, when he was in Rome, he sought me out very diligently, and found *me*. ¹⁸ The Lord grant to him that he may find mercy from the Lord in that day: and in how many things he ministered to me at Ephesus, thou knowest very well.

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¹ Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. ² And the things that thou hast heard from me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also. ³ Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. 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.
⁵ And if a man also striveth for masteries, yet is he not crowned, except he striveth lawfully.
⁶ The husbandman that laboreth must be first partaker of the fruits. ⁷ Consider what I say; and the Lord give thee understanding in all things.
⁸ Remember that Jesus Christ of the seed of David was raised from the dead according to my gospel:
⁹ In which I suffer trouble, as an evil-doer, *even* to bonds; but the word of God is not bound.
¹⁰ Therefore I endure all things for the sake of the elect, that they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. ¹¹ *It is* a faithful saying: For if we are dead with *him*, we shall also live with *him*: ¹² If we suffer, we shall also reign with *him*: if we deny *him*, he also will deny us: ¹³ If we believe not, yet he abideth faithful: he cannot deny himself. ¹⁴ Of these things put *them* in remembrance, charging *them* before the Lord that they contend not about words to no profit, *but* to the subverting of the hearers. ¹⁵ Study to show thyself approved to God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.
¹⁶ But shun profane and vain babblings: for they will increase to more ungodliness. ¹⁷ And their word will eat as doth a canker: of whom is Hymeneus and Philetus; ¹⁸ Who concerning the truth have erred, saying that the resurrection is past already; and overthrow the faith of some.
¹⁹ Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth firm, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the

name of Christ 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 If a man therefore will cleanse himself from these, he will be a vessel to honor, sanctified and meet for the master's use, *and* prepared to every good work. ²² Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart. ²³ But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they gender contentions. ²⁴ And the servant of the Lord must not contend; but be gentle to all *men*, apt to teach, patient, ²⁵ In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God perhaps will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth: ²⁶ And *that* they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.

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¹ This know also, that in the last days perilous times will come. ² For men will be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, ³ Without natural affection, truce-breakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, ⁴ Traitors, heady, high-minded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; ⁵ Having a form of godliness, but denying its power: from such turn away. ⁶ For of this sort are they who creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away

with divers lusts; ⁷ Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁸ Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith. ⁹ But they shall proceed no further: for their folly will be manifest to all *men*, as theirs also was. ¹⁰ But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, long-suffering, charity, patience, ¹¹ Persecutions, afflictions which came to me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra; what persecutions I endured: but out of *them* all the Lord delivered me. ¹² And all indeed that will live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution. ¹³ But evil men and seducers will become worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived. ¹⁴ But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing from whom thou hast learned *them*; ¹⁵ And that from a child thou hast known the sacred scriptures, which are able to make thee wise to salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: ¹⁷ That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished to all good works.

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¹ I charge *thee* therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom;
² Preach the word; be instant in season, out of

season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long-suffering and doctrine. ³ For the time will come, when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts will they multiply to themselves teachers, having itching ears; ⁴ And they will turn away *their* ears from the truth, and will be turned to fables. ⁵ But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry. ⁶ For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. ⁷ I have fought a good fight, I have finished *my* course, I have kept the faith: ⁸ Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give me at that day: and not to me only, but to all them also that love his appearing. ⁹ Do thy diligence to come shortly to me: ¹⁰ For Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world, and hath departed to Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. ¹¹ Luke only is with me. Take Mark, and bring him with thee: for he is profitable to me for the ministry. ¹² And Tychicus have I sent to Ephesus. ¹³ The cloke that I left at Troas with Carpus, when thou comest, bring *with thee* , and the books, *but* especially the parchments. ¹⁴ Alexander the copper-smith did me much evil: the Lord reward him according to his works: ¹⁵ Of whom be thou aware also; for he hath greatly withstood our words. 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. 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. ¹⁸ And the Lord will deliver me from every evil work, and will preserve *me* to his heavenly kingdom; to whom *be* glory for ever and ever. Amen. ¹⁹ Salute Prisca and Aquila, and the household of Onesiphorus. ²⁰ Erastus abode at Corinth: but Trophimus I have left at Miletum sick. ²¹ Do thy diligence to come before winter. Eubulus greeteth thee, and Pudens, and Linus, and Claudia, and all the brethren. ²² The Lord Jesus Christ *be* with thy spirit. Grace *be* with you. Amen.

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