

LET US NOT FORGET JESUS CHRIST!

(2 Timothy 2:8-10)

I. THE INTRODUCTION (1:1-5)

II. PAUL'S APPEAL FOR A BOLDNESS THAT WILL ENDURE SUFFERING (1:6-14)

III. FURTHER CHARGES TO ENDURE HARDSHIP (2:1-10)

A. The DUTIES of those who are to be faithful in spiritual leadership (2:1-3)

B. Three illustrations of a FAITHFUL SERVANT in the Christian life (2:4-7)

C. The NEED to REMEMBER Jesus Christ (2:8)

1. Paul's _____ to Timothy to remember Jesus Christ is in the present tense, this was to be an ongoing, _____ remembrance. (2:8a)

2. The church in Ephesus which Timothy pastored would eventually _____ this key element of the Christian life and _____, as described in Revelation 2:1-7.

3. To have Christ at the forefront of your mind will enable you to _____ in Him, and to have _____ when tempted by evil, and it will stimulate His _____ in you towards others.

4. Timothy was called to remember Christ in two specific ways...
 - a. By mentioning "*the seed of David*" the apostle was calling for remembrance of the Messianic credentials of Jesus as the rightful heir of all the glorious promises of God to David regarding a _____ and a _____. (2 Tim. 2:8b; 2 Sam. 7:12-16)

 - b. Timothy was not only to remember that Jesus had _____, physically "*risen*" (*perfect tense*), but that He _____ risen as the ever living victorious Lord. (2:8c)

* How could Paul rightfully use the pronoun “*my gospel*”?

D. Paul’s SUFFERINGS for the Gospel and the elect (2:9-10)

1. The Apostle suffered severe indignities, and was viewed with the utmost humiliation as a criminal of the most _____ and _____ kind. (2:9a)

* Who should this remind you of?

2. Paul’s current situation in prison, in chains was because of his _____ to the _____. (2:9b)

3. Thankfully even though the _____ of the Gospel are imprisoned or die, there isn’t a prison built that can keep the _____ itself in shackles. (2:9c)

4. While the Apostle’s sufferings were keenly _____, he was _____ to go through all of it so that more people would “*obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.*” (2:10)

* What does this tell us about Paul’s passion?

* How can you personally apply this truth?