

PAUL'S FINAL ARREST AND LAST WORDS

(2 Timothy 1 & 4)

I. ILLUSTRATING PAUL'S HOUSE ARREST WITH THE BOOK OF PHILIPPIANS

II. ILLUSTRATING PAUL'S FINAL IMPRISONMENT WITH THE BOOK OF 2 TIMOTHY

A. Sharing both the GOOD and the BAD in ministry (1:8)

1. For Timothy to publicly identify with Christianity and with Paul (a prisoner of Rome) could mean universal _____, persecution, and _____. (v. 8a; 3:12, cf. 2 Cor. 6:3-7; 1 Thes. 3:4)
2. Paul was _____ commanding (*aor./act./imper.*) Timothy to do something that he was not already willing to do _____. (v. 8b; cf. Philip. 3:10; 1 Pet. 4:12-19)

B. EXAMPLES of those who were ashamed and one who was not (1:15-18)

1. Several Christians in Asia had turned their backs on the Apostle and he identified _____ of them by _____, Phygellus and Hermogenes. (v. 15)
2. Onesiphorus was not thinking of his own _____ when he arrived in Rome, because he courageously _____ the apostle out with a great deal of _____. (vv. 16-17)

C. Paul reflects on his PAST and on his FUTURE (4:6-17)

1. The present tense of the phrase, "*I am already being poured out*" indicates that the _____ had already _____; he knew he was going to shed his _____ in martyrdom. (v. 6a)

2. The time of his “*departure was at hand*,” what was once a serious _____ back when he wrote Philippians, was now an absolute _____. (v. 6b)

3. Looking back on his ministry he had no regrets (v. 7) ...
 - a. “*I have _____ the good fight*” (Gr. perfect/indicative)

 - b. “*I have _____ the race*” (Gr. perfect/indicative)

 - c. “*I have _____ the faith*” (Gr. perfect/indicative)

4. With his “*fight*” and “*race*” now completed, he was seeking the “_____ of _____ *from the righteous* _____.” (v. 8)

5. With the expectation that death was very near Paul urged Timothy to make it a matter of _____ to see him _____; he had sent the other men on assignments, only _____ was currently with him. (vv. 9-12)

6. It is clear that Paul’s intended witnesses had decided it was much too _____ to appear before the imperial court on his _____. (v. 16)

7. Paul was _____ forsaken by the Lord; God not only stood by his side, but He _____ him to be a bold witness so that he might _____ his commission. (v. 17, cf. Acts 9:15; 23:11; 27:22-25)

* What can you personally apply from Paul’s final imprisonment?