

**CONTEND FOR THE GOSPEL
KEEP THE FAITH**

FAITHFUL TO THE GOSPEL



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2 Timothy 2:1-13

- Paul and Timothy were friends and colleagues
- Paul is the largest contributor of the new testament
- Paul is on his death row
- Paul is writing with emotion and sentiment
- Timothy would be emotional
- Possible the last words, last advice, last wisdom from Paul to Timothy

2 TIMOTHY 2:1-13



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- Paul paints a picture of suffering for the gospel in this passage
- Sometime being a Christian, we want a easy path to walk and to follow

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You then, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others. Join with me in suffering, like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No one serving as a soldier gets entangled in civilian affairs, but rather tries to please his commanding officer. Similarly, anyone who competes as an athlete does not receive the victor's crown except by competing according to the rules.

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The hardworking farmer should be the first to receive a share of the crops. Reflect on what I am saying, for the Lord will give you insight into all this.

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my gospel, for which I am suffering even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But God's word is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

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Here is a trustworthy saying:

*If we died with him,
we will also live with him;
if we endure,
we will also reign with him.
If we disown him,
he will also disown us;
if we are faithless,
he remains faithful,
for he cannot disown himself.*

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1. Be Strong and Pass it on!
2. Metaphors: Stay Focused, Endure, Work Hard
3. Keep sight of the End Game!

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1. Be Strong and Pass it on!

1. Be strengthened by the grace that is found in Jesus

- Timothy wasn't being strengthened by himself
- The Holy Spirit filled Timothy with strength
- When we come before God in weakness, confession, humility we receive Grace



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2. Pass it on!

- Keep on fighting for the Gospel,
- Make Disciples,
- Establish Churches
- Paul is laying a framework for the building of the Church
- We all need to be a part of discipleship

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- 1. Be Strong and Pass it on!**
- 2. Metaphors: Stay Focused, Endure, Work Hard**
 - Don't be like the soldier that gets distracted.
 - Don't be the cheating athlete as you won't be crowned.
 - Work hard like the Farmer who shares in the crops
- Stay focused
- Have endurance
- Work hard

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- 3. Keep sight of the End Game!**
 - Remember the Gospel and endure**

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What do we need to keep in mind?

1. For the one who has lost sight of your purpose....
 - Remember the gospel and endure!
2. For the one who feels discouraged and beat up....
 - Be strengthened by Jesus' Grace

