

2 Timothy

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A verse can express a spiritual truth even if it is in a story which may not be historical.

There is no reference to “Yahweh” in the right column of this book.

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<p>1:1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, according to the promise of life which is in Christ Jesus,</p> <p>2 To Timothy, my dearly beloved son: Grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.</p> <p>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;</p> <p>4 Greatly desiring to see thee, being mindful of thy tears, that I may be filled with joy;</p> <p>`</p> <p>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.</p> <p>6 Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands.</p> <p>7 For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.</p> <p>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;</p>	<p>1:1 From Paul¹, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, according to the promise of life which is in Christ Jesus,</p> <p>2 to Timothy, my dearly beloved son: grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.</p> <p>3 I thank God, whom I serve as my ancestors did, with a pure conscience, that without ceasing I have remembered you in my prayers day and night.</p> <p>4 Remembering your tears when we parted, I greatly desire to see you, so that I may be filled with joy.</p> <p>5 I call to remembrance the deep and true faith that is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois, and your mother Eunice; and I am persuaded is in you also.</p> <p>6 Therefore I remind you to stir up the gift of God, which is in you by the laying on of my hands.</p> <p>7 For God has not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.</p> <p>8 Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me in prison for his sake; but be willing to share in the afflictions of the gospel (good news), and you will always be protected by the power of God,</p>

<p>9 Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began, 10 But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel: 11 Whereunto I am appointed a preacher, and an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles. 12 For the 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 unto him against that day. 13 Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus. 14 That good thing which was committed unto thee keep by the Holy Ghost which dwelleth in us. 15 This thou knowest, that all they which are in Asia be turned away from me; of whom are Phygelus and Hermogenes. 16 The Lord give mercy unto the house of Onesiphorus; for he oft 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 unto him that he may find mercy of the Lord in that day: and in how many things he ministered unto me at Ephesus, thou knowest very well.</p>	<p>9 who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not because of our works, but according to God's own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began, 10 and is now demonstrated by the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who has abolished death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. 11 I have been appointed a preacher of this gospel, and a messenger, and a teacher of the Gentiles. 12 For this cause, I suffer imprisonment; nevertheless, I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that God is able to protect the mission that God has given me until the day of the Lord. 13 Hold fast to the sound words which you have heard from me, in the faith and love which is in Christ Jesus. 14 Keep the good mission which was committed to you, empowered by the Holy Ghost (Holy Spirit) which dwells in us. 15 This you know, that all those who are in the Roman Province of Asia have turned away from me, even Phygelus and Hermogenes. 16 May the Lord have mercy on the house of Onesiphorus, for he often cheered me up and was not ashamed of my chains, 17 and, when he was in Rome, he sought me out very diligently and found me. 18 God grant him mercy on the day of the Lord! You know well in how many ways he ministered to me at Ephesus.</p>
<p>2:1 Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. 2 And the things that thou hast heard of 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 strive for masteries, yet is he not</p>	<p>2:1 Therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. 2 And preach all that you have heard from me among many witnesses to faithful persons who will be able to teach others also. 3 Endure hardship as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. 4 Soldiers in combat do not entangle themselves with the affairs of civilian life, so that they may please their commander who has chosen them to be soldiers. 5 If persons compete for a prize, they are not</p>

crowned, except he strive lawfully.

6 The husbandman that laboureth 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 Wherein I suffer trouble, as an evil doer, even unto bonds; but the word of God is not bound.

10 Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sakes, that they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.

11 It is a faithful saying: For if we be 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 strive not about words to no profit, but to the subverting of the hearers.

15 Study to shew thyself approved unto 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 unto more ungodliness.

17 And their word will eat as doth a canker: of whom is Hymenaeus 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 sure, 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 honour, and some to dishonour.

21 If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work.

22 Flee also youthful lusts: but follow

crowned unless they strive according to the rules.
6 The worker who labors on a farm should be the first to share the fruits of the harvest.

7 Consider what I say, and the Lord will give you understanding in all things.

8 Remember that Jesus Christ, who was a descendant of David, was raised from the dead according to my gospel.

9 For preaching the gospel, I suffer trouble as if I were an evildoer, even to chains; but the word of God cannot be chained.

10 Therefore I endure all things for the believers' sakes, so 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 will also live with him."²

12 "If we suffer, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he also will deny us."³

13 "Even if we do not believe, he remains faithful; he cannot deny himself."⁴

14 Make them remember these things, ordering them before the Lord not to argue over words. Arguing over words has no value, but harms the hearers.

15 Study to show yourself approved to God, a workman who does not need to be ashamed, rightly interpreting the word of truth.

16 Shun profane and vain babblings, for they will increase and cause more ungodliness.

17 And such words will spread like cancer. Two who are guilty of this are Hymenaeus and Philetus,

18 who concerning the truth have erred, saying that, "the resurrection is already past," and have overthrown the faith of some.

19 Nevertheless, the foundation of God stands sure, having this seal, "God knows those who are God's."⁵ And, "Let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from sin."

20 In a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of clay, some for special honor, and some for lowly use.

21 Therefore if persons purify themselves, they will be a vessel to honor, sanctified and worthy for the master's or mistress' use and prepared for every good work.

22 Also, flee youthful lusts, but follow

<p>righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart.</p> <p>23 But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes.</p> <p>24 And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient,</p> <p>25 In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth;</p> <p>26 And that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.</p>	<p>righteousness, faith, love, and peace with those who call on God⁶ out of a pure heart.</p> <p>23 But avoid foolish and unlearned questions, knowing that they create strife.</p> <p>24 A servant of the Lord must not quarrel, but be gentle to all persons, ready and willing to teach, patient,</p> <p>25 in meekness instructing those who oppose you, for God perhaps will lead them to repent and acknowledge the truth.</p> <p>26 Thus those who have been taken captive by the devil may save themselves from the snare of the devil.</p>
<p>3:1 This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.</p> <p>2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,</p> <p>3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,</p> <p>4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;</p> <p>5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.</p> <p>6 For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts,</p> <p>7 Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.</p> <p>8 Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith.</p> <p>9 But they shall proceed no further: for their folly shall be manifest unto all men, as theirs also was.</p> <p>10 But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience,</p> <p>11 Persecutions, afflictions, which came unto me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra; what persecutions I endured: but out of them all the Lord delivered me.</p> <p>12 Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus</p>	<p>3:1 Know this also, that in the last days perilous times will come.</p> <p>2 For people will love themselves, being covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, and unholy,</p> <p>3 without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, without self-control, violent, and despisers of those who are good.</p> <p>4 Many will be traitors, reckless, conceited, and lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God,</p> <p>5 displaying an outward form of godliness, but denying the power of godliness; from such, turn away.</p> <p>6 For of this sort are those who get influence over silly persons who are laden with sins and led away by various wrong desires,</p> <p>7 ever learning, but never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.</p> <p>8 Now as Jannes and Jambres⁷ opposed Moses, so do these also resist the truth; for they are persons of corrupt minds, having a counterfeit faith.</p> <p>9 But they will proceed no further, for their folly will be demonstrated to all persons, as was the folly of Jannes and Jambres.</p> <p>10 But you have fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, patience,</p> <p>11 and my persecutions and afflictions, which came to me at Antioch, at Iconium, and at Lystra. I endured these persecutions, and the Lord delivered me out of them all.</p> <p>12 Yes, and all who will live godly in Christ Jesus</p>

<p>shall suffer persecution. 13 But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived. 14 But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them; 15 And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto 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, throughly furnished unto all good works.</p>	<p>will suffer persecution. 13 And evil persons and seducers will grow worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived. 14 You are to continue in the things which you have learned and have been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them. 15 Ever since you were a child, you have known the holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise to salvation through the faith which is in Christ Jesus. 16 All uplifting Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is useful for doctrine, for rebuking error, for correction, and for instruction in righteousness, 17 so that the person of God may be perfect, thoroughly equipped to do all good works.</p>
<p>4:1 I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick 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 longsuffering and doctrine. 3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; 4 And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto 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, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing. 9 Do thy diligence to come shortly unto me: 10 For Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world, and is departed unto Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia. 11 Only Luke 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</p>	<p>4:1 Therefore I instruct you before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at his appearing and in his kingdom: 2 preach the word with all your energy, whether the time seems appropriate or not; correct, rebuke, and encourage with all patience and doctrine. 3 For the time will come when people will not endure sound doctrine, but after their own wrong desires, they will gather to themselves teachers who will tell them what they want to hear. 4 And they will turn away their ears from the truth and will turn to fables. 5 But you must watch and be aware, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, and complete the requirements of your ministry. 6 For I am now ready to become a sacrifice, 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 Therefore, there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on the day of the Lord, and not to me only, but to all those also who love his appearing. 9 Do your best to come to me soon. 10 For Demas has forsaken me, having loved this present world, and has departed to Thessalonica, and Crescens to Galatia, and Titus to Dalmatia. 11 Only Luke is with me. Take Mark, and bring him with you; for he is profitable to me for the ministry. 12 And I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus. 13 The cloak that I left at Troas with Carpus, when</p>

<p>thou comest, bring with thee, and the books, but especially the parchments.</p> <p>14 Alexander the coppersmith did me much evil: the Lord reward him according to his works:</p> <p>15 Of whom be thou ware also; for he hath greatly withstood our words.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>18 And the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work, and will preserve me unto his heavenly kingdom: to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.</p> <p>19 Salute Prisca and Aquila, and the household of Onesiphorus.</p> <p>20 Erastus abode at Corinth: but Trophimus have I left at Miletum sick.</p> <p>21 Do thy diligence to come before winter. Eubulus greeteth thee, and Pudens, and Linus, and Claudia, and all the brethren.</p> <p>22 The Lord Jesus Christ be with thy spirit. Grace be with you. Amen.</p>	<p>you come, bring with you, and the books, but especially the parchments.</p> <p>14 Alexander the coppersmith did me much evil; the Lord will give him what is due him according to his works.⁸</p> <p>15 Beware of Alexander, for he has greatly opposed our words.</p> <p>16 At the first hearing of my case, no one came into court to support me, but all persons abandoned me; I pray God that they may be forgiven.</p> <p>17 But God stood with me and strengthened me, so that by me the preaching might be fully known, and so that all the Gentiles might hear. And I was delivered out of the mouth of the lion.</p> <p>18 God will deliver me from every evil work and will preserve me to God's heavenly kingdom; to God be glory forever and ever. Amen.</p> <p>19 Greet Prisca (Priscilla) and Aquila and the household of Onesiphorus.</p> <p>20 Erastus stayed at Corinth, but I left Trophimus sick at Miletum.</p> <p>21 Do your best to come before winter. Eubulus greets you, and Pudens, and Linus, and Claudia, and all the fellow believers.</p> <p>22 The Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Grace be with you. Amen.</p>
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¹ Mainstream Bible scholars are sure that 2 Timothy was written by a follower of Paul after Paul's death because the theology is post-Pauline.

² 2:11 Romans 6:5-11; Galatians 6:14; Colossians 2:12

³ 2:12 Matthew 10:32,33; Mark 8:38; Luke 12:9

⁴ 2:13 Romans 3:4

⁵ 2:19 Numbers 16:5

⁶ 2:22 One can always call on God for help. Whether one can call on the risen Christ Jesus for help is problematic.

⁷ 3:8 Jannes and Jambres are not mentioned elsewhere in the Bible. In Jewish tradition, they are called the sons of Balaam, the non-Jewish prophet of Peor, who in some Jewish traditions was evil.

⁸ 4:14 Psalms 62:12