

13 - FAITHFULNESS (2 TIMOTHY 1:8-18)

I. Do Not Be Ashamed (1:8-12)

A. The call (1:8)

- Paul calls Timothy not to be ashamed of _____.
- Timothy is called to share in the sufferings for _____.

B. The holy calling (1:9-10)

1. The basis of the calling (1:9)

- Paul states that Jesus saves believers and has called them with _____.
- That calling is not based on _____.
- The calling was based on _____ that was given to believers by Jesus.

2. The surety of the calling (1:10)

- That calling is assured because Jesus Christ has _____.

C. Paul's calling (1:11)

- He states that he was appointed as _____.

D. Paul's confidence (1:12)

- He is not ashamed because he has believed and is convinced of _____.

II. The Encouragement (1:13-18)

A. Hold fast (1:13)

- Timothy is to hold fast to the sound teaching that _____.
- He is to hold to the teaching in faith and love which _____.

B. Keep your commitment (1:14)

- Timothy is to keep the commitment that _____.
- He can only keep it through _____.

C. Paul is forsaken (1:15)

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- Paul points out that all, which were in western Asia Minor, have _____.
- The friends that have forsaken Paul include _____.

Historical Note: Phygellus and Hermogenes

Phygellus and Hermogenes were Christians who deserted Paul at the time of his second imprisonment at Rome. They had not taken measures to stand by and support Paul, but they had deserted him.

D. The care given to Paul (1:16-17)

- Paul asks the Lord to grant mercy to the household of Onesiphorus because of _____.
- Onesiphorus was not ashamed of Paul and would _____.

Historical Note: Onesiphorus

Onesiphorus was a believer from Ephesus who fearlessly cared for Paul during the second imprisonment of the apostle. He is not mentioned in any of the other books of the New Testament. See: 2 Timothy 4:19

- When Onesiphorus arrived in Rome, he actively sought where _____.

E. Paul's gratitude (1:18)

- Paul prayed that Onesiphorus would find _____ in the Last Day.

Biblical Note: The Day (Last Day)

The Day is referred to in the Old and New Testament in many ways (Day of Christ, Day of the Lord, The Last Day). It refers to the return of Jesus Christ for believers and the judgment of unbelievers. It will signal the completion of God's redemptive work. Paul's letters are filled with longings for the day when Jesus Christ will manifest himself in glory and establish his kingdom. See: Matthew 7:22; 1 Corinthians 1:8; 3:13; 5:5; 2 Corinthians 1:14; Philippians 1:6,10; 2:16; 2 Thessalonians 2:2-3.

- Paul states that Timothy knew very well how Onesiphorus _____ in Ephesus.

Historical Note: Ephesus

Ephesus was an ancient Greek city on the coast of Western Asia Minor. It was built in the 10th century BC. During the Greek era it was one of the twelve cities of the Ionian League. The city flourished after it came under the control of the Roman Empire in 129 BC. The city was famed for the nearby Temple of Artemis, which was one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. The Library of Celsus was located in Ephesus and a theatre capable of holding 25,000 spectators. When Augustus became emperor in 27 BC, he made Ephesus the capital of the province of Asia in western Asia Minor instead of Pergamum. Ephesus then entered an era of prosperity, becoming both the seat of the governor and a major centre of commerce.