

2TIMOTHY - Paul's Conclusion

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2Timothy - Principles & Applications for Living in Hostile Culture

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- I. The Preparation for Faithfulness** **1**
- A. The Introductory Address** **1:1-2**
 - 1:1-2 - Prepare others to live in hostile culture
- B. The Motivation for Faithfulness** **1:3-7**
 - 1:3 - Maintain fellowship & worship
Pray for each other
 - 1:4 - Attempt physical/social contact
 - 1:5 - Prepare kids/grandkids for culture
 - 1:6 - Utilize God's provisions
 - 1:7 - Be bold
- C. The Encouragements to Faithfulness** **1:8-14**
 - 1:8 - Expect ridicule
Suffer together
Trust power of HS
 - 1:9-10 - Know gospel content & message well
 - 1:11 - Be faithful to one's calling
 - 1:12 - Keep biblical perspective
Be convinced of Lord's sovereign protection
 - 1:13 - Do apologetics
 - 1:14 - Protect one's integrity
- D. The Examples of Unfaithfulness & Faithfulness** **1:15-18**
 - 1:15 - Stand alone when others are failing
 - 1:16-18 - Support fellow believers under attack
- II. The Particulars for Faithfulness** **2-3**
- A. The Faithfulness in Ministry** **2:1-7**
 - 2:1 - Stand strong in Biblical Worldview
Use available enablement under pressure
 - 2:2 - Teach regardless of opposition
 - 2:3-4 - Prepare by constant training
Keep single-minded discipline
 - 2:5 - Stay focused on God's glory
Live by the rules
 - 2:6-7 - Continue hard work
- B. The Faithfulness in Suffering** **2:8-13**
 - 2:8-9 - Meditate on Christ's & Paul's suffering
 - 2:10 - Know the potential of your suffering
 - 2:11-13 - Prepare for inevitable suffering
- C. The Faithfulness in Disagreements** **2:14-26**
 - 2:16-17 - Use needed wisdom with false teachers
 - 2:14-18 - Properly handle obstacles within
 - 2:19 - Remember our Lord preserves His own
 - 2:20-26 - Stay ready for usefulness

D. The Faithfulness Departure

3:1-13

- 3:1 - Be alert to the signs of the times
- 3:2-5 - Identify evil people in church
- 3:5b - Use discernment in removing evil people
- 3:6-9 - Examine both teaching & conduct of teachers
- 3:10-11 - Be a super-star NT believer
- 3:12 - Expect inevitable suffering
- 3:13 - Stay alert to deception
- 3:14-15 - Persevere in faithfulness
- 3:16-17 - Persevere in renewing mind with Word

III. The Parting Faithfulness

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A. The Parting Words

4:1-8

- 4:1-2 - Preach Word as our ministry priority
- 4:2 - Preaching includes conviction of sin
Preaching includes strong rebuke
Preaching includes positive encouragement
- 4:3-4 - Don't be surprised at apostasy
- 4:5 - Maintain a balanced ministry
- 4:6 - Prepare to die for Christ
- 4:7 - Finish life faithfully
- 4:8 - Praise our Lord for future rewards

B. The Conclusion

4:9-22

- 4:9 - Be sensitive to those under stress
- 4:10 - Be reminded of danger of compromise
- 4:9-10 - Prepare to stand alone
- 4:13 - Stay in the Word to the end
- 4:14-15 - Be ready to be betrayed
- 4:16 - Don't be surprised that believers may fold
- 4:17-18 - Trust in Our Lord's deliverance
- 4:19-21 - Encourage on-going fellowship
- 4:22 - Glorify our Lord in sharing His grace